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LAST Edition

MURDERER OF WHITE MAN IS HACKED TO DEATH

VAUDEVILLE ACROBAT INSANE

One of Famous Six Bracks Is Physically Wrecked by Strenuous Work on Stage

Forced to Bear Brunt of Act, Mind Gives Way; Face Is Paralyzed

With his mind clouded and suffering from facial paralysis, B. Brack, one of the famous six Bracks, European acrobats who played a return engagement at the Orpheum theater last week, is confined in the detention ward of the Receiving hospital, under the care of a special nurse. He is charged with insanity. The actor's wife is the complaining witness in his case, which will be heard tomorrow morning in the Superior Court for a hearing before a lunacy commission, with a view to the actor's commitment to a state hospital for the insane.

Russians in Protest Of Slavery Charge

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—Three thousand members of the local Russian colony, stirred by the declarations made by Elsie Navikoff in the Juvenile Court last Wednesday, that it was customary among the members of her race to sell their daughters to the highest bidder, are prepared to file a protest with Governor Johnson, with a request that the state officers investigate the charge, according to Philip Shuben, the president of the colony.

San Francisco to Fresno Automobile Record Broken

FRESNO, Dec. 25.—The San Francisco to Fresno automobile record was smashed today by Eddie Eichner, driving a Warren-Detroit, who covered the distance of 205 miles in four hours and 53 minutes. The previous record was 5:28, by Ed Waterman of this city, who drove a

Japanese in Russia Hold First Banquet

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—The first dinner of the new Russo-Japanese Society, recently formed here, was held last night at the Japanese embassy. Baron Ichii Motome, Japanese ambassador to St. Petersburg, and M. Kokovoff, the Russian premier, exchanged toasts, both referring to the value of Russo-Japanese friendly relations.

Russian Troops Forced To Abandon Tabriz Bank

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—Advice received here today from Tabriz, in Persia, say that the Russian troops have been forced to abandon the Russo-Persian Bank, which is situated in the principal square and which they have hitherto been protecting. There is about \$50,000 in specie lying in the bank, which is now entirely without a guard.

WATER BILL SIGNED AT CAPITAL

Governor Johnson Presents Oakland With a Valuable Christmas Gift

Word was received by Mayor Frank K. Mott from Sacramento today that Governor Hiram Johnson has presented Oakland with a Christmas gift by signing the bill making possible the organization of a municipal water district of the communities centering about Oakland. The bill was drafted with a view to empowering numerous communities in California to own and operate municipal water systems, but as Oakland took the initiative in this, special features were included for the benefit of this city.

WELLS NECESSITIES. The bill was prepared with a view to meeting the necessities of various communities, as it was intended to benefit the cities throughout California which are struggling with the water problem. Submitted to engineers from various parts of the state, and bill received the approval of all, and there was little legitimate opposition when it was presented to the legislature. A delegation from Oakland visited Sacramento and assisted in having the bill passed.

The act amends that of 1911 and 1909, both of which were framed to empower the formation of municipal water districts by the co-operation of several cities and towns, but which were found inadequate when the time came to invoke the powers delegated. It is thought that the new act will meet the needs of the cities in all regards.

Lyman Becomes Resident Of Bleak McNeill's Island

TACOMA, Dec. 25.—Dr. John Grant Lyman of Los Angeles, recently sentenced to serve a year and a half for trying to escape from the Federal authorities after they arrested him on a charge of using the mails to defraud in the promotion of building land deals, was taken to McNeill's island prison today. He arrived here last night from California in the custody of deputy United States marshals.

Flagman Meets Death On Christmas Morning

SAN JOSE, Dec. 25.—Darwin H. Kelsey, Southern Pacific flagman, was instantly killed by a switch engine on North Second street at 6 o'clock this morning while walking along a track with a lantern. He was formerly a prominent building contractor here and for some years was city superintendent of streets. He was 75 years of age and leaves a son and two daughters.

CABINET TO DEMAND REPUBLIC

Popular Government Inevitable, Is Statement Made at Conference

TOKIO, Dec. 25.—A conference, of members of the Japanese cabinet, at which many of the elder statesmen, including Prince Katsura, the ex-premier, were invited to assist, was held here Sunday. The strictest secrecy has been maintained regarding the subjects of discussion, but it is generally believed that the latest developments of the situation in China were under consideration. It is understood that the conference reached the conclusion that the adoption of a republican form of government by China was apparently inevitable.

Yuan Shi Kai in Fear of the Powers

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Times, commenting on the situation, says the whole nation is awaiting the decision of one man. Personally, adds the correspondent, Yuan Shi Kai desires peace and is willing to abide by the decision of the national assembly, but fears in the event of a decision in favor of a republic there would be subsequent complications with Great Britain and Japan.

Declare Situation Demands Caution

SHANGHAI, Dec. 25.—Tang Shao Yi, the imperial plenipotentiary appointed by Premier Yuan Shi Kai, and Wu Ting Fang, the foreign secretary of the revolutionary cabinet, the principal figures in the peace conference here, have given signed statements setting forth their views. That from

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CROWN PRINCE FREDERICK ILL CONDITION BELIEVED SERIOUS



The Crown Prince of Germany, whose illness is a matter of deep concern to the Kaiser.

Aggravated Affection of Throat Suggests Hereditary Ailment That May Develop Fatal Complications

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—There is anxiety in regard to the health of Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm. He was unable to come to Berlin from Danzig, where his regiment is quartered, when his latest son was born on December 19, in consequence of what was officially described as a slight cold, but was expected at Christmas. It is now stated that he has developed an aggravated affection of the

Old Parishioners Serve Xmas Dinner to Richeson

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—A bounteous Christmas dinner the gift of several of his former parishioners, helped to cheer Rev. Clarence V. Richeson in his cell in Charles street jail, where he is recovering rapidly from self-inflicted wounds of last week. Dr. Lothrop, who visited the prison this morning, reported that Richeson was making a good recovery and he would be in a practically normal condition before the end of the week. William A. Morse of Richeson's counsel also visited the jail and had a brief conference with his client, but any important move in the defense of Richeson on the charge of murdering Miss Avis Linnell, still awaits the arrival of John H. Lee from Lynchburg, Va.

Doctor Will Survive A Double Operation

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The physicians attending Dr. Charles Horace Mayo, the Rochester, Minn., surgeon who underwent an operation last Saturday for gall stones, a few days after he had been successfully operated on for appendicitis, said today that the patient's condition was very satisfactory and that the outlook for a complete recovery was excellent. Dr. Mayo passed a good night and was resting comfortably this morning.

AWFUL REVENGE WREAKED BY MOB

Murderer Dragged From Jail by an Unidentified Crowd and Chopped With Hatchets

BALTIMORE, Dec. 25.—King Davis, a negro, who Saturday shot and killed Frederick A. Schwab (white) at Fairfield, Anne Arundel county, was taken from the Brookline, Md., jail early today and killed by a mob. Davis was chopped to death with hatchets. The lynching was conducted with secrecy, the town authorities having no inkling of it until Chief of Police Irwin was notified by a newspaper carrier who found the body as he was delivering his papers. No guard is kept at the jail at night and there is no clew to the perpetrators of the deed. The front door of the jail was found to have been burst open and the lock had been cut off the door and the cell in which Davis was confined. The trouble was caused the shooting of Schwab started in a saloon at Fairfield over a game of pool between Frank Schwab, a brother of the dead man, and Davis. Schwab claimed the negro called him vile names. After the party left the saloon Frederick Schwab took up his brother's quarrel with Davis, who drew a pistol and sent a bullet through Schwab's heart. Davis then fired two shots at Frank Schwab without effect. The negro fled, but was arrested an hour later. He asserted that he shot in self-defense, declaring that Frederick Schwab had struck him.

Children Decorate Grave Of Clement C. Moore

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Upon the grave of Clement C. Moore, who wrote "Twas the Night Before Christmas," a holly wreath was placed today by 100 children from the Sunday school of the Church of the Intercession. A brief prayer and the singing of a Christmas carol and a hymn at the grave completed the ceremony.

Paraguay Is Torn by Great Revolt; Guard Called Out

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Paraguayan advances to the Temps say the revolution progress throughout the republic and as a consequence the provisional president, Liberato Rojas, has called upon all the national guards and the reserves between the age of 17 and 50. The revolutionists now have surrounded Asuncion, the capital. Brazil and Argentina have sent warships into Paraguayan waters, the commanders of which, at the request of the diplomatic corps, have given notification that they will not permit the bombardment of Asuncion or other fortified places. The government has sent the Bishop of Asuncion to negotiate peace terms with the revolutionaries' committee, which has organized a provisional government, headed by Dr. Emiliano Gonzales Navarro. At Pilar, on the Paraguay river, about 112 miles from Asuncion, the revolutionists have three warships, which were bought from the Belgians. These are believed to be the vessels which it was reported recently were intended for the Portuguese royalists. It is reported there are dissensions among the rebels, which leads the government to hope that an arrangement is possible.

Hotel Clerk Is Slain by Wife Whom He Stabbed

WACO, Tex., Dec. 25.—His face covered with blood and a bullet through his body, Joseph B. Sims, 38, a hotel clerk, staggered into a corridor of his hotel today and fell dead. His widow was taken to a sanitarium with knife wounds in her back. She said Sims stabbed her and she shot him. Jealousy of Sims by his wife is given as the cause.

Swarms of Skeeters Haunt Bark at Sea

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A mosquito-haunted ship for hundreds of miles was the Norwegian bark Freidig, which has just reached here after an adventurous voyage from Batavia, Java. The crew suffered terribly from malaria fever as a result, and of Padding, Sumatra, one man threw himself overboard while delirious and was lost. The crew literally ate quinine, a liberal supply of which the ship's skipper, Captain Hansen, had in his cabin, but for days at a time only two of the whole ship's company, the mate and the second mate, an American, were able to navigate the vessel.

Twenty Killed in Fight With Mexican Insurgents

EL PASO, Dec. 25.—Twenty persons are reported killed in a fight between rurales and rebels, between Pearson and Madera, according to advices received today from Colonia Dublan, Mexico. Although no official confirmation can be secured, federal reinforcements have been dispatched from Casas Grandes.

Oldest Twins Celebrate Ninety-Third Birthday

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Today is the ninety-third birthday of the oldest twins in the United States, Samuel and William Muncy, of Babylon, L. I. Four generations will help them celebrate their natal day and Christmas. Born on the property which their respective homes now occupy, the brothers have lived side by side practically throughout their lives. Each married young and had eight children. Both are widowers and neither uses tobacco.

STAGE ACROBAT MENTAL WRECK

B. Brock Gives Way Under the Strain of Bearing the Brunt of Act.

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engagement here was opened December 17 and almost immediately afterward Brock began to complain of terrible pains in the head and neck. Dr. O. D. Hamlin was called in and, after giving the actor a careful examination, he advised him to quit the head work in his act.

But Brock did not heed the advice and paid the penalty after the performance last Tuesday night, when he was stricken with paralysis of the neck and face and began to show signs of mental derangement. From that time his condition steadily grew worse. An understudy was substituted for him in the act, and he was placed under the care of a physician.

It was then recalled by the other members of the troupe that since the beginning of their engagement in the twin cities of the bay section Brock worked very badly, "muffing" many of the catches that he formerly made with ease and certainty of eye and poise, and in the face of his present breakdown, his co-workers are now convinced that he began to break down with his first appearance here.

Paralysis is the primary cause of Brock's collapse, and it is believed that he is hopelessly insane. The malady has overthrown the mind and left the unfortunate acrobat a nervous wreck, destroying his reason and leaving his neck and face distorted and palsied.

Brock has not yet developed any violent propensities, and it is doubtful if he ever will. His eyes are downcast and expressionless; he recognizes nobody, and if he speaks at all it is in a low, guttural voice that cannot be understood.

The case is one of the most pathetic that has come to the attention of the attaches of the Receiving Hospital in a long time, and they are doing everything in their power to alleviate the suffering of the patient and to make the afflicted actor comfortable.

Brock is 42 years of age.

**POSTOFFICE EMPLOYEE
ROBBED OF PURSE**

Edward Temperli of the Rust post-office, Contra Costa county, reported to the Oakland police the theft of a purse containing \$32 from his pocket by thieves on a San Pablo avenue car, at Fourteenth street and San Pablo avenue, last night. Temperli was unable to give a description of the robbers.

Mrs. J. B. Kemper of the Ohio house, reports her room entered by thief using skeleton key. Jewelry and clothing valued at \$50 were stolen.

Mrs. M. Dukett complained to the police of the theft of clothing valued at \$12.

**U. C. GLEE CLUB TO
TOUR IN THE NORTH**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Dec. 25.—The University Glee Club will leave for a tour of Northern California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia cities tomorrow morning.

RUSSIANS ACCUSED OF BLOODY BRUTALITIES

St. Petersburg Official Declares No Mercy Will Be Shown the Revolutionists in Persia

TEHRAN, Dec. 25.—A telegram from the Vice-Governor of Tabriz gives an appalling picture of the situation in that city as a result of Russian aggression. He says:

"I swear before God that innocent women and children are being butchered in cold blood."

The Vice-Governor estimates the number of Persians killed in Tabriz at five hundred and adds:

"The Russians ignore our overtures for the cessation of hostilities."

Telegraphic communication between Teheran and Tabriz is now interrupted. The British and Russian legations are without means of communication with their consuls.

The Regent Mesir El Mulk acting in agreement with the Cabinet yesterday declared the National Council dissolved. The War Minister sent troops to prevent the Deputies from entering the Parliament building. The Persian Government has unconditionally accepted the Russian ultimatum, Russia having previously agreed to a slight modification of one of the demands. The Russian Minister has signified his acceptance of the Persian reply.

RUSSIAN AVENGERS ON WAY.

TABRIZ, Persia, Dec. 25.—A strong detachment of Russians, comprising a regiment of rifles, Cossacks, and a mountain battery, left here last evening for Tabriz to revenge an attack on Russians

by Persian tribesmen at that place a few days ago.

The column has already traversed the Darud gorge without encountering Persian opposition. It has been expected that the Persians would stoutly defend the mountain passes.

RUSSIA TO SHOW NO MERCY.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—As the result of a long conference today between Premier Kokovoff and Foreign Minister Sazonoff heavy reinforcements have been ordered in the Caucasus to Tabriz. The director of the Persian department of the Russian Foreign Office said today:

"Russia will take justice at Tabriz. Resht and Enzeli into its own hands and will show no mercy to the Fidas and revolutionary dogs who are shedding Russian blood. The lesson which we intend to give will be long remembered."

Recent dispatches from Tabriz reported serious fighting between the Persian constitutionalists and Russian troops. There has been fighting also between the Russians and Persians at Enzeli, on the Caspian Sea, and at Resht, sixteen miles north of Enzeli. At Tabriz the Governor's palace is said to have been bombarded, and there were casualties on both sides. The cause of the clash is not known, but reports from St. Petersburg said that a number of Russian soldiers had been killed. At Resht and Enzeli the fighting was between Russian soldiers and the police.

One Shot Dead and Three Stabbed in Row

FRESNO, Dec. 25.—As a result of a fight among four Italians at the Los Alamos vineyard, 12 miles northeast of this city, last night, an Italian named Tony Prono was shot and instantly killed by a countryman named Assuero Giammeschi after he had stabbed Giammeschi and two others.

Giammeschi disappeared after the trouble and has not yet been found. One of the wounded men is under arrest. A second is slashed from his waist to his shoulder and is expected to die.

From the evidence it appears that the dead man did all the cutting and that the shooting by Giammeschi was justified. The sheriff was not notified of the murder until today.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROS. Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. B. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

'Michigan Valjean' Is Under Arrest

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Advice from the East received by the local police are to the effect that James Cushman, arrested yesterday, is a famous Michigan porch climber. He has been sentenced to the penitentiary three times, is wanted by Eastern police and is familiarly known as "Michigan Valjean."

Enraged Husband Murders His Wife

WICHITA, Kas., Dec. 25.—Rather than submit to arrest for killing his wife, Mrs. Myrtle Wright, John W. Wright, a hotel keeper, today committed suicide by taking poison. Wright and his wife separated some time ago and he went to Colorado. When he returned and learned that his wife had sued him for divorce he became enraged and shot her.

Greatest Ready-to-Wear Day of the Year Tomorrow at D. Samuels

The absolute Clearance Sale Suits, Dresses, Gowns, Waists, etc., for which women have been waiting, commences tomorrow

Our Entire Stock Without Any Exception Decisively Reduced

Not Some Garments but Every Garment in the Department - Every Suit - Every Coat - Every Dress - Every Evening Gown - Every Waist Reduced Without Any Consideration of Cost or Former Selling Price

In order to provide sufficient selling space and accommodate great crowds, we have removed the Sweater Department; reduced the Millinery space; consolidated the Negligee, Lingerie and Corset Department; so as to be able to devote almost the entire Second Floor to this Sensational Clearance Sale.

35 Extra Salespeople
Have Been Engaged

No Garment Will Be Sent
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D. Samuels
THE LACE HOUSE

Clearance Sale Absolutely
Without Parallel

Stockton & O'Farrell, San Francisco

Clearance Sale Absolutely
Without Parallel

CHINESE CABINET HOLDS CONFERENCE

Result of Meeting Held Secret; Powers Will Not Intervene.

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Tang Shai Yi, who is Yuan Shi Kai's personal representative, follows.

"The situation in China today demands caution and deliberation, and also the highest form of patriotism, which means the subordination of everything to the welfare of the country. I am trying my best to settle all major differences as a result of this conference and show the world a new China, united and strong, autonomous and peaceful, and a whole people prosperous."

"We won't divide China. I want peace, and throughout the world, but dread any form of intervention."

(Signed) TANG SHAO YI.

Wu Ting Fang's statement follows: "Greetings to the people of the United States and the world from a representative of the newly formed sister republic."

"We hope and expect to accomplish our great purpose. When that is done, it will benefit not only the people of China, but all nations with which we are commercially and diplomatically connected."

"I feel sure that all nations sympathize with us in our struggle for liberty, freedom and better government. I confidently expect that the nations will remain strictly neutral, as they have declared themselves to be, until our conflict is ended."

(Signed) WU TING FANG.

Revolutionary Force Gathers at Nanking

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—A revolutionary force is being concentrated at Nanking to be used in a demonstration against Peking should the peace negotiations at Shanghai fail through. This news was received here from Shanghai today by the Chung Sa Yat Po, a Chinese newspaper, with the further information that the recent armistice was broken four days ago by the capture of Tai Yeh Fu, the capital of Shan Si province, by the imperialists. The dispatch states that the refusal of the imperial commander to recognize the truce has increased the determination of the revolutionists to hold out for a republic.

Pirates Suspend All Traffic on River

AMOY, China, Dec. 25.—The United States monitor Monterey, which has just completed a cruise to the treaty port of Tswatow, returned here this morning. The depredations of the pirates along the west river have brought about the entire suspension of river traffic above the city of Chang Chow.

Storm-Tossed Boats In Collision at Sea

NORFOLK, W. Va., Dec. 25.—Driven many miles off her course by a strong northeast gale, while trying to find her way, the schooner Mabel Myers, bound from Sears Point, Me., to Richmond, Va., collided with the Royal mail steamer Orota, bound from New York to Havana, about seventy-five miles east of Cape Hatteras, early Saturday morning, according to advices received here. Neither vessel sustained serious damage, and after an hour's delay proceeded on their way.

The Royal mail liner's passengers, who were asleep when the accident occurred, were badly frightened and they were quiet with some difficulty by the officers of the vessel. The Mabel Myers had her railing torn away for about twenty feet and several plates on the Orota were slightly dented.

WOMAN INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

Mrs. Russell of Alameda Hurt When Electric Train Hits Machine.

Mrs. R. A. Russell of 1607 High street, Alameda, was painfully injured at 9 o'clock last night, when an automobile driven by her husband was struck by a northbound Southern Pacific electric train in Webster street, between Second and Third, this city. In the automobile besides Mr. and Mrs. Russell were the small son and mother of the latter. Mrs. Russell, who was the only one injured, was seated in the tonneau of the car with her son and mother. She was thrown over the front seat of the car to the ground and rendered unconscious. An examination at the receiving hospital showed that she had been badly bruised.

Mrs. Russell regained consciousness shortly after being taken to the receiving hospital and was removed to her home. The machine was badly damaged. The train was in charge of Conductor James Case.

BOILERS TAMPERED WITH, IS CHARGE

Southern Pacific Accuses Man; Police Say Prisoner Has Confessed.

On suspicion of having tampered with Southern Pacific locomotives in such a manner as to spoil the steam boilers, Samuel Spencer, a boiler maker in the employ of the company, is being detained by the police, and will probably be charged tomorrow with malicious mischief. This is the most serious formal charge that can be placed against the man for the offense alleged.

The police say Spencer has confessed, and he is believed to have put out of commission temporarily about six engines with which the railroad company has had trouble.

While tampering with the flues of the engines on which he was working in the railroad yards Spencer used a tool that made undetected orifices through which the steam escaped. After a locomotive had run about 40 miles the steam would escape and the engine would "stop dead," and have to be returned for repairs. The company was puzzled to account for these accidents because of the ingenious method employed.

OLD SOLDIER BREATHES LAST

Edwin B. Hays, Veteran of the Civil War, Dies at Age of 75.

Edwin B. Hays, a Grand Army veteran and prominent member of the G. A. R., aged 75 years, died yesterday morning. He was a native of Indiana and came to this Coast some thirty years ago, where he pursued his occupation of a builder. He is survived by a widow, one son, Elmer T. Hays, and four daughters, Mrs. Charles W. Harris, Mrs. Geo. F. Collier, Mrs. Morris Frank and Mrs. A. F. Berlitzhoff.

Deceased was a member of Appomattox Post No. 50 of this city, and the funeral services will be held under the auspices of that body. Rev. Emanuel Hoskins of the Ward Memorial Congregational Church of Fruitvale will conduct the services at his late residence, 452 East Eighteenth street, next Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The services at the grave will be conducted by the Grand Army Post. Interment will be at Mountain View cemetery.

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Impossible to enumerate the quantity or describe the wonderful values to be offered in this great sale beginning tomorrow

Tuesday, December 26th

Our Sales are making history as they are Semi-annual events only. Our entire stock goes on Sale—many garments marked less than One-Half regular selling price.

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This sale will be the biggest bargain event ever held in Oakland. Every garment in our store has been reduced regardless of cost or value. An extraordinary opportunity to

Save More Than One-Half on New and Up-to-Date Suits, Coats, Dresses, Skirts and Furs

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Suits	Coats	Dresses
\$20.00 Suits \$ 5.00	\$15 and \$20 Coats .. \$ 5.00	\$15 and \$20 Dresses \$ 5.00
\$25.00 Suits \$10.00	\$22.50 Coats \$10.95	\$22.50 Dresses \$ 9.95
\$30.00 Suits \$15.00	\$25.00 Coats \$14.95	\$25.00 Dresses \$12.45
\$35.00 Suits \$17.50	\$30.00 Coats \$17.45	\$30.00 Dresses \$14.95
\$40.00 Suits \$19.95	\$35.00 Coats \$19.95	\$35.00 Dresses \$19.95
\$45.00 Suits \$22.45		
Waists	Furs	Skirts
\$6.00 Chiffon and Silk Waists \$2.45	\$10.00 Neck Pieces. \$ 5.00	\$ 7.50 Skirts \$2.95
\$5.00 Hand-Embroidered Waists \$1.95	\$15.00 Neck Pieces. \$ 7.50	\$10.00 Skirts \$4.95
\$5.00 Lingerie Waists \$1.75	\$20.00 Neck Pieces. \$ 9.95	\$12.50 Skirts \$5.95
\$2.50 Lingerie Waists 95c	\$25.00 Neck Pieces. \$12.45	\$15.00 Skirts \$7.50
\$1.25 White Tailored Waists. 50c		
Sweaters	Petticoats	
\$4.00 Sweaters, white only \$1.95	\$5 and \$6 Petticoats, all colors \$2.95	
\$4.50 Sweaters, all colors \$2.95	\$7.50 Petticoats, all colors \$3.45	
\$5.00 Sweaters, all colors \$3.25	\$10 and \$12 Petticoats, all colors \$4.95	
\$6.00 Sweaters, all colors \$3.95	\$20 and \$25 Fancy Petticoats \$4.95	

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Between Broadway and Washington

CARDINAL FARLEY CELEBRATES MASS

Titular Church Crowded With
Worshippers From All
Walks of Life.

ROME, Dec. 25.—Pontifical mass was celebrated by Cardinal Farley in his titular church of Saneta Maria Minerva. The church was packed with worshippers, the congregation comprising many noted personages among the clergy and lay of Rome. The monks of the Dominican order who are in charge of the church in their white robes added picturesqueness to the scene. All of the professors and students of the American college, many American residents and visitors, and the suite of Cardinal Farley were present.

Great success attended the Christmas dinner held at the American college, at which 255 covers were laid. Cardinals Farley and O'Connell were received at the entrance to the college by the rector, Monsignor T. P. Kennedy; the vice rector, Monsignor C. A. O'Hern; the spiritual director, Monsignor B. Mahoney, and all the students. There was an enthusiastic welcome when the two cardinals entered the rectory, which was gay with American flags, flowers and pictures of the pope, of various American bishops and former rectors.

The dinner concluded with toasts and speeches. There was also singing by students of the American college, who constitute one of the best choirs in Rome.

Great preparations are being made for a grand farewell dinner of thirty covers which Cardinal Farley is to give on December 27 in what is called the royal apartment of the Hotel Bristol.

Cardinals Gasparri, Falconi, De Latis, O'Connell, Vincenzo, Vanutelli, Elsiotti, Von Rossum and Martinelli already have accepted invitations and others who will be present are Mr. Kennedy, rector of the American College, Mr. Baretti, formerly apostolic delegate to Canada; Mr. Robert Seton, formerly of New York; Mr. Montagnini, formerly secretary of the papal nunciature at Paris and Father Brandt, editor of the Jesuit organ Civita Catholic.

SPANIARDS FIGHT TRIBESMEN.

MADRID, Dec. 25.—An official dispatch from Melillo, Morocco, reports an extended engagement with tribesmen on December 22. The Spaniards lost nine killed and thirty-eight wounded.

LAKEVIEW PARK CONCERT HEARD BY THOUSANDS

Steindorff's Baton Beats Out Sunday
Music at Recreation Grounds

Before an audience of music-lovers estimated at 2000, Director Paul Steindorff and his band of forty musicians gave his second open-air concert at Lakeside park yesterday afternoon. With the assumption of the baton by Steindorff, one of the most popular musicians about the bay, the band has taken an additional leap into the affections of the public, and its permanency as one of Oakland's most important institutions is now assured.

Steindorff's choice of selections for his program has proved to be one of the strongest features in the success of the venture, combining, as they do, the more popular classics with the out-and-out popular music. In his program of yesterday the former class was represented by the Introduction and Bridal Chorus to "Lohengrin" of Wagner, Weber's Invitation to the Dance, and selections from Gounod, Mendelssohn and Verdi. Nor were they received with any less appreciation than the selections from Victor Herbert's new musical comedy, "When Sweet Sixteen," Trinka's "Wooden Shoe Dance," or Sousa's stirring "Hail to the Spirit of Liberty."

The program in its entirety, exclusive

of encores, which were generously granted, was, as follows:
"The Star-Spangled Banner".....A. Holtzmann
March, "The Winning Flight".....Nicolai
"Invitation to the Dance".....Weber
Introduction and Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin".....R. Wagner
Cornet solo.....
(a) "Nazareth," sacred song.....Gounod
(b) "The Sweet Concert" polka.....Hazel
(c) "C. Rosebrood".....
Selection from "When Sweet Sixteen".....Victor Herbert
Overture, "Merry Wives of Windsor".....Nicolai
Paraphrase, "Lorelei".....Nesvadba
(a) "Spring Song".....Mendelssohn
(b) "Dutch Kiddles," Wooden Shoe Dance".....
George Trinka's
Grand fantasia, "Aida".....Verdi
March, "Hail to the Spirit of Liberty".....Sousa
"America".....
The new improvements, made by the Park Commission, including the laying of a sidewalk from Grand avenue to the band stand, destined to increase the accessibility of the concerts to the public, have been received with appreciation, and with other innovations to be introduced later on, augur well for the increasing success of the venture.

LODI GARDENER SLAIN BY BRUTAL ROBBERS

LODI, Dec. 25.—With the head battered and several knife wounds about the neck and shoulders, the body of G. Bietro, a truck gardener, residing near Lone Ford, was found in a pool of blood yesterday on the Lodi-Lockeford road, where it had apparently lain for several hours. All evidence points to murder and it is evident that the motive was robbery.

The first intimation that anything was wrong was had by Bietro's family, when a team attached to a wagon which he had been driving was found standing near his home, where it had apparently wandered during the night.

Bietro had driven to this city from his home with a load of garden truck, which he disposed of during the day. It is known that he had a large sum of money when he started on the return trip. None was found on the body. Officials believe that Bietro was attacked unexpectedly from behind.

FIANCEE SENDS BOUQUET TO ACCUSED MINISTER

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—Christmas found Rev. Charles V. T. Richeson, who is awaiting trial charged with the poisoning of his former sweetheart, Miss Avis Linnell, somewhat recovered from the effects of his self-mutilation and subsequent surgical operation last Wednesday. His physicians said the prisoner was not yet out of danger.

Several bouquets of flowers, one the holiday gift of his fiancée, Miss Violet Edmonds, were placed beside the minister's cot as a reminder of Christmas.

The initiative in any steps looking to the appointment of a commission to determine whether Richeson is insane, will not be taken by District Attorney Pelletier. Pelletier says he does not consider the minister's act of Wednesday warrants any such move. The defense has taken no steps as yet toward raising the question of sanity.

SERVICES HELD AT OAKLAND CHURCHES

"The Nativity" Sung by Chorus
of Sixty at First Congregational.

The various churches of Oakland celebrated the birth of Christ in song and religious exercises yesterday. At the 4 o'clock vesper service of the First Congregational church, "The Nativity," H. J. Stewart of San Francisco, was sung by a chorus of sixty voices under the direction of Alexander T. Stewart. This was the first time this beautiful anthem had been heard in Oakland and the church auditorium was filled with the church members and their friends.

Miss Virginia de Fremery, the organist, and Ward McRacken, violinist, The soloists were:
Mrs. Alma Englund Winchester, soprano; Mrs. Carroll Nicholson, contralto; Hugh Williams, tenor; Lowell Redfield, baritone; J. I. Thomas, tenor, and Walter E. Nicholson, basso.

Special program of music were given at both the morning and evening services. "The Messiah," by Handel, drew a large assemblage to the First Presbyterian church last night at 7:30. It was presented by a vested choir of 60 voices, assisted by Mrs. Z. R. Jenkins, soprano; Mrs. Ruth Waterman Anderson, contralto; J. F. Veeco, tenor; Charles Robinson, bass. William R. King was the organist and Percy A. Dow, choirmaster.

The story of the birth of Christ was told in song at the Plymouth Congregational church, the anthems being selected from the work of various great composers. A group of girls sang Christmas carols. Rev. A. W. Palmer is pastor of the church.

The services of song at the First Methodist church both morning and evening were particularly beautiful. The soloists were: Mrs. Cecil Mark, soprano; Miss Ulah Leavitt, contralto; J. P. Jones, tenor; R. S. Malle, basso; Fred Harrison, baritone.

The music at the Christmas services of the First Christian church was chosen from the favorite anthems written about the birth of the Christ child. Miss Charlotte McMahon was soloist at the morning program of song.

OYSTER OPENER IS LUCKY.

SANTA CLARA, Dec. 25.—While opening oysters Theodore Barikas of the Santa Clara restaurant found a pearl valued at \$100.

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Great Clean-up Sale of Afternoon and Evening Dresses at \$18.75



Genuine \$25.00 and \$30.00 Values
You certainly will share our great enthusiasm over this great sale, for every garment in this offering is exceptionally attractive, many being fashioned after exclusive imported models. The fabrics include rich satin messalines, fine clinging chiffons, veiled crepe de chine and handsome, dressy foulard silks in a most stunning assortment of exquisite colorings, richly trimmed with laces or fancy trimmings. Young ladies' sizes 18 and 20, and women's sizes 34 up to 42. Values up to \$30.00. Specially priced at \$18.75.

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Values to \$25.00
We strongly advise you to come on Tuesday and look over these exquisite creations which we are offering at the exceedingly low price of \$12.50. About thirty-five models await your inspection. Dresses and Costumes for every occasion, for theater, reception and street wear—made of light or dark satin, chiffon or dainty embroidered nets, richly trimmed with fancy ornaments or glass beads; values up to \$25.00—Special \$12.50

Evening Dresses of silk or chiffon; values to \$50.00—NOW \$29.50
Silk or Crepe de Chine Dresses in beaded or braided effects; values to \$60—NOW \$37.50
And others in the richest of silks and finest of woolen materials up to \$95.00

Double Faced Cloth Coats \$15

Values to \$20.00
Unusually attractive models, made of rich-looking cloakings in tan mixed, brown or grey mixed shadings. Designed in the smartest of styles with big sailor collar and wide revers; collar and cuffs trimmed with self material or in contrasting colors; a wonderful value at special \$15.00

50 Lingerie Dresses \$7.50

Values to \$22.50
The price is very small, but the values are great. These Dresses have been left over from our spring and summer stock, and are slightly soiled, hence this great reduction. Daintily trimmed with Valenciennes laces, made of excellent quality materials; values to \$22.50—Special \$7.50

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About twenty-five exclusive models—twenty-five individual styles—each one prettier than the other. Beautifully fashioned garments—collars and cuffs richly trimmed with self material or cloths in contrasting colors. All the latest pastel shades are shown; also black, lined with heavy messaline in contrasting colors.
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Millinery At One-Half Price

Our entire stock of Trimmed Millinery, including Street, Walking and Dress Hats, imported and New York models all go at ONE-HALF regular price.

ORIGINAL RAPHAEL IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—George A. Dixon, a local hotel manager, has in his possession what is believed to be Raphael's original painting of "The Madonna of the Chair," valued at many thousands of dollars. The painting has been in Dixon's possession for several years, having been given to him by his grandmother, to whose husband Pope Plus IX presented the work of art.

"Pope Plus gave it to my grandfather, John Edward Gahn, in the Vatican," said Dixon yesterday. "Gahn had presented to the Catholic church a large block of property in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada, where he lived. This is at present the site of St. Patrick's cathedral. About a year after making the donation of the property, Gahn went over to Italy. He was accompanied by Archbishop O'Brien of Quebec and McDonald of Halifax. While in the Vatican he admired the 'Madonna of the Chair' by Raphael, and the holy father presented him with the painting

BUSCH BUYS 100,000 RED CROSS STAMPS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—Adolphus Busch, multi-millionaire brewer, today sent his check for \$1000 to Mrs. Horace S. Rumsey, thereby purchasing 100,000 Red Cross Christmas stamps. The St. Louis Society for the Relief and Prevention of Tuberculosis says this is the largest number of the seals ever bought by one person. John D. Rockefeller recently purchased 50,000 of the stamps from the New York society.

GETS MEDAL OF EMPEROR.
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—John Jager of this city has received a medal from Emperor Franz Joseph commemorative of the sixtieth year of that ruler's reign. Jager, an officer in the Austrian expedition against Pekin, in the Boxer rebellion, assisted in making plans for fortifications for the Austrian legation house.

PREDICTS SUCCESS OF ATLANTIC AIR TRIP

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Professor Willis L. Moore, chief of the United States Weather Bureau, one of the directors of the Aeronautical Society, is enthusiastically about the flight across the Atlantic which is to be attempted in the dirigible balloon Suchard by Dr. Paul F. Gans, the German millionaire.

City of Paris

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Extraordinary Reductions in Waists

These waists are as remarkable for their low prices as they are for artistic color combinations and superlative beauty of design, in Chiffon Cloth, Satin, Lace, Net and Taffeta.

Many of them marked
At a Half and Less
of former prices.

Clearance Sale of Millinery

Our entire *Trimmed* Millinery stock will be placed on special sale Tuesday, December Twenty-sixth, at such low prices that must command
Immediate Attention

UNIQUE TOYS ARE MADE BY CLEVER CHILDREN

The juvenile toy-makers, who competed for honors in the handicraft contest last Saturday afternoon in De Fremery Park playground, displayed originality. Many artistic and useful toys, which were made by the youngsters, were admired by a number of local manufacturers who visited the unique toy shop. Everything from an airship to an automobile was seen on the exhibition tables, which were filled with a variety of instruments for the amusement of the children.

Many things which have never appeared in the department store windows were manufactured by the boys and girls, who had carefully written their names beside their exhibits.

GRADUATES SEEK BUSINESS HONORS



HOWARD BREEDING.

The business world has attracted a large number of bright graduates of the grammar school, who recently received their diplomas. Many of the youth are learning trades, while others are serving an apprenticeship in stores and odd lines of work.

PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE AWARDED DIPLOMAS

Closing exercises in the School of Piedmont were held last Friday afternoon in the Assembly hall of the school on Bonita avenue, where four students received their diplomas. The awards were made by Hugh Crag, mayor of Piedmont. For the first time in the history of the school sheepskins were given to graduates at the end of the Christmas term. The graduates were Walter Elias, Kenneth Robertson, Robert Sharo and Margaret Leach.

The pupils of the low eighth grade tendered an informal reception and dance to the graduates Friday evening in the Assembly room, which was prettily decorated with holly and red berries.

Official announcement has been made that the school will re-open January 15.

HAY RAKE FOR PRESIDENT.

TRYINGHAM, Mass., Dec. 25.—Marshall W. Stedman, the rakermaker has built a hay rake to be presented to President Taft. It is of straight grained ash, highly polished to give the rake the proper hang. Stedman obtained a measurement of the length of the President's arm. Three generations of Stedmans have been making hay rakes in Tryingham.

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SIMPLE SERVICES
HELD IN ALBANY
Lged Sunday School Worker
and Pastor Coffman Make
Addresses.

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Christmas morning service was held between 6:30 and 7 a. m. today at the Methodist chapel. The pastor, W. E. Coffman, presided, and the service was a brief address in which he spoke of the utter poverty of Mary, the mother of Jesus, shown by the manger and the swaddling clothes and the evident indifference of the occupants of Bethlehem to Mary's need for a comfortable home. "Business and pleasure learning and reforms often today leave no room for the Christ in the heart and life," said Dr. Coffman.

JUDGE REVERSES SENTENCE.
HUTCHINSON, Kan., Dec. 25.—Police Judge Martin Hoagland yesterday untied up J. W. Babb, a man whom he had fined Saturday for stealing coal from a railroad, repaid out of his pocket a brief address in which he spoke of the utter poverty of Mary, the mother of Jesus, shown by the manger and the swaddling clothes and the evident indifference of the occupants of Bethlehem to Mary's need for a comfortable home. "Business and pleasure learning and reforms often today leave no room for the Christ in the heart and life," said Dr. Coffman.

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FIRST M. E.
PASTOR
Bishop Hughes, Delayed in the
East, Not Reached by
Committee.
'ADVENT FAITH, FACT
AND HOPE' IS TOPIC
Large Congregation Gathers
to Hear This Morning's
Services.

A large congregation gathered in the First Methodist Episcopal church this morning expecting to hear Bishop Hughes of San Francisco at the Christmas morning service, but in this they were disappointed. Dr. S. D. Huttenloper of Berkeley, superintendent of the Oakland district, announced that the committee of preachers having the service in charge had failed to reach Bishop Hughes, who has been east for two months and more, and that his return home had been unexpectedly delayed.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. H. W. Williams, pastor of the College Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, Berkeley. Dr. Williams announced as his subject "The Advent Faith, Fact and Hope," and as his text, Luke 2:11 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

Dr. Williams referred to the fact that at nine o'clock on Christmas morning the Knights Templars throughout the world meet in religious service and said it was proper that Protestants should thus meet in their churches.

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OAKLAND CHURCHES
SING PRAISE OF
CHRISTMAS
First Mass in St. Francis de
Sales Said by Chil-
dren's Choir.
IMPERIAL MASS SANG
AT SACRED HEART
Special Music in All Temples of
Worship Mark the
Services.

Tested choristers sang Christmas anthems this morning in the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches to celebrate the festival of nativity. Gifted soloists of this city, an augmented choir, told the story of Christmas in programs of sacred music. The significance of the celebration was the text of eloquent sermons delivered by the clergymen.

The first mass in St. Francis de Sales church was sung at 5 o'clock by the children's choir of St. Francis de Sales parochial school. They sang the "Adeste Fideles," "Adeste Fideles," and the offertory hymn. It was followed by the solemn high mass at 10:30 o'clock, when May-Allen's imperial mass was given by the choir of mixed voices.

Mrs. Le Noir Schütz, contralto, led the "Adeste Fideles" and the "Feni Creator" offertory. Adam's "Noel," tenor solo and chorus. J. P. Jones, "O Salutaris," by Mrs. Jones, tenor; Clement Rowlands, "Tantum Ergo," by Riga, quartet composed of Mrs. W. Chase Williams, soprano; Mrs. Irene Le Noir Schütz, alto; J. P. Jones, tenor; Clement Rowlands, and Wallace Merwin, basses. Miss Elizabeth McNally, choir director and organist, arranged the services.

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\$15.00 and \$17.50 Tailor Suits...\$7.45
\$20.00 and \$22.50 Tailored Suits...\$9.95
\$25.00 Tailored Suits...\$12.45
\$29.50 Tailored Suits...\$14.95
\$32.50 Tailored Suits...\$17.45
\$35.00 Tailored Suits...\$18.45

Dress Skirts
\$ 5.00 Dress Skirts.....\$1.95
\$ 6.00 Dress Skirts.....\$2.95
\$ 7.50 Dress Skirts.....\$3.95
\$10.00 Dress Skirts.....\$4.95
\$12.50 Dress Skirts.....\$6.45
\$15.00 Dress Skirts.....\$8.45
\$18.50 Dress Skirts.....\$9.95

Long Coats
Ladies, Misses, Juniors
\$10.00 Long Coats.....\$ 4.95
\$12.50 Long Coats.....\$ 6.95
\$15.00 Long Coats.....\$ 8.45
\$18.50 Long Coats.....\$ 9.95
\$22.50 Long Coats.....\$12.45
\$25.00 Long Coats.....\$14.95

Novelty Coats
\$29.50 and \$32.50 Novelty Coats...\$17.45
\$35.00 and \$37.50 Novelty Coats...\$19.95
\$40.00 and \$45.00 Novelty Coats...\$25.00

Caracul Coats
\$25.00 Caracul Coats.....\$14.75
\$35.00 Caracul Coats.....\$20.00
\$45.00 Caracul Coats.....\$25.00

Seal Plush Coats
\$29.50 Seal Plush Coats.....\$17.50
\$35.00 Seal Plush Coats.....\$22.50
\$45.00 Seal Plush Coats.....\$27.50

\$8.50 Misses' and Junior Coats
\$3.45

Man Made and Novelty Suits
\$37.50 and \$40.00 Suits.....\$19.75
\$45.00 Suits.....\$25.00
\$55.00 Suits.....\$29.50

Corduroy and Velvet Suits
\$29.50 Corduroy Suits.....\$14.95
\$35 Corduroy and Velvet Suits...\$17.45

\$15.00 Misses' Suits
\$7.45

Man-Made Serge Suits
Skinner Satin Lined
\$12.50 \$15 \$20
Former prices \$20 to \$35

Dresses
\$17.50 Dresses
\$20.00 Dresses
\$22.50 Dresses
\$25.00 Dresses
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FUR SETS AND SINGLE PIECES
1/2 Price
\$35.00 French Coney Coats—
36 inches long.....\$17.45

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CLOAK & SUIT HOUSE
ELEVENTH AND WASHINGTON STREETS

Reversible Suits
\$25.00 Reversible Suits
\$18.50 Black Novelty Coats
\$12.45

BOY STABS CHUM
OVER FIVE CENTS
Youth 10 Years Old Uses
Knife When Companion
Attacks Him.

Following an altercation over the payment of 5 cents which Leon Williamson, a ten-year-old boy, said was owed to him by one of his companions, Williamson was attacked by John Collins, a thirteen-year-old boy, and in defending himself, stabbed Collins in the left shoulder with a pocket knife, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. Collins was taken to the Receiving Hospital, where his wound was dressed, and was then taken to 1183 Campbell street. He gives 375 First street, San Francisco, as his address.

The quarrel occurred last evening about 5 o'clock at Wood and Eleventh streets. Several boys were playing together at the time, and Williamson, who resides at 1104 Wood street, declared that one of his companions owed him a nickel. Young Collins took up the quarrel and threatened the boy. A struggle followed, and the boy who had an open case knife in his hand, drove the blade into the shoulder of his assailant. No action will be taken by the police, as the act was unpremeditated and was committed in self-defense.

FALL FROM CITY HALL
BUILDING IS FATAL
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Irving McCaslin, a painter, 54 years old, who fell from the new City Hall building early last week, died this morning at St. Vincent's hospital. Death was due to pneumonia, following a fracture of the lower maxilla.

BERKELEY JAIL CI FAR
OF ALL PRISONERS
BERKELEY, Dec. 25.—According to a condition that has existed for several years, there are no prisoners in the Berkeley city jail. These men are released after their sentence expires, and are then taken to a local penitentiary with the compliments of the police department.

PATHOS IN DEATH
OF MRS. L. A. MERVY
Would Not Allow Her Passing
to Mar Children's Christmas Happiness.

Announcement of the death of Mrs. Elva L. Mervy, wife of Lito A. Mervy of 1317 West street, which occurred on Saturday at her home here, has been received with deep sorrow by a wide number of acquaintances to whom Mrs. Mervy was well known. Her death at the present time, just previous to the holidays, has especial pathos, owing to her anxiety up to the time of her death that it should in no way mar the Christmas happiness of her two small children, Elva, aged 9, and Gerald, aged 5.

Mrs. Mervy's death followed an illness of some duration and was not unexpected, either by her or her family. Knowing that the end was approaching she gave instructions that the Christmas tree for the children should be prepared, and her last words were of directions for its decoration. In compliance with her wishes the children were not informed of their mother's death, but were taken to the home of their aunt, Mrs. A. A. Denison, where this morning the tree was disclosed to them.

The deceased was a native of Napa and aged 36. She was the daughter of Mrs. B. L. Robinson of that city and is survived by her mother, husband, two children and a sister, Miss Pearl Robinson. She was also a sister-in-law of Mrs. A. A. Denison and Mrs. Ernest Farley of Oakland and of Mrs. George McMillan of Portland, Oregon.

The funeral will be held from the late residence, 1317 West street, tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, followed by interment in Mountain View cemetery.

INFIRMARY PATIENTS
ENJOY TURKEY DINNER
SAN LEANDRO, Dec. 25.—The two hundred or more inmates of the Alameda County Infirmary celebrated Christmas today with religious services. A Christmas tree was enjoyed during the morning and a turkey dinner was served at 2 p. m., provided by Dr. W. A. Clark. A solemn high mass was celebrated this morning by Rev. Father Francis Garvey of St. Leander's parish, this place. This afternoon services will be presided over by ministers of other denominations.

BURNS TO DEATH.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Left alone on Christmas Eve, old, decrepit and ailing, Mrs. Bridget Gagen, 70 years old, was burned to death in her home, 229 Precinct avenue, last night. The exact cause of the fire could not be ascertained, but it is believed that Mrs. Gagen either dropped a lighted lamp or that her clothing caught fire from a coal oil stove.

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\$45.00 Ladigs' Coats, Now	\$17.50	\$150.00 WRAPS, Now	\$55.00

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AT ABSOLUTE CLEARANCE PRICES

ABSOLUTE Clearance Prices mean that every Suit, Coat and Dress in the house has had to submit to severe reductions for immediate clearance. No garment, however high class, has escaped the ravages of the blue pencil. We have been forced to most drastic price cuts on many groups by reason of this being the last apparel clearance in the old store. We do not propose to take a single garment here now to the new. This sale then becomes your opportunity extraordinary.

This Historic Bargain-Giving Event Begins Tomorrow Morning at 9 a. m.

Women's and Juniors' Suits,
Coats, Capes and Dresses
(Forty Garments in This Lot)

\$5.00

Were \$18.75 to \$45.00
Including suits of serge, broadcloth and mixtures in broken sizes. Not this season's suits, but styles that are yet worn with perfect fitness. No alterations on these.

Misses' and Women's
Suits
(Fifty Garments in This Lot)

\$9.75

Were \$19.75 to \$37.50
Materials of serge, broadcloth and worsteds, in navy, brown, gray, light stripes and mixtures; regular sizes and large women's sizes. Some of this season's styles.

Women's Plain Tailored
Suits
(Not Many in This Lot)

\$12.50

Were \$25.00 to \$49.50
These are made of broadcloth, worsteds, chevrons and serges; also include some white serge and light-colored broadcloth suits. Sizes are broken. Some this season's.



No Approvals---No Exchanges

Big Reductions on Street, Afternoon and Evening Dresses

\$9.75 for Dresses Worth \$14.75 to \$19.75

They are Serges, Pongees, Messalines and Foulards in sizes for misses and women. Both this season's and last season's styles.

\$14.75 for Dresses Worth \$19.75 to \$35.00

Materials are Clifton, Crepe, Taffeta and Serges for street, evening, theater and party wear. Sizes for both women and misses.

\$18.75 for Dresses Worth \$25.00 to \$52.50

Street and Evening Dresses made of satin charmeuse, crepe, serges and broadcloth. The early comer will get a most satisfying choice.

BIG REDUCTIONS ON ALL EVENING GOWNS

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Furs may come and Furs may go—but the Mink endures. The original prices on these real Mink Scarfs which we are now selling at half were \$14.50, \$22.50, \$26, \$32.50, \$45, \$55, \$60, \$75 to \$135.

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Muffs and Scarfs \$4.75
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AT \$25.00—All this season's suits, mostly fancy, although there are a few plain tailored models in imported materials. Colors—old blue, golden brown, navy, black and fancy stripes.

AT \$35.00—Two and three-piece suits in Velvets, Corduroys, Fancy Diagonals and Serges. This season's most accepted styles.

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Misses and Young Women's Suits \$15.00

Were \$25 to \$37.50

Plain tailored suits in mixtures, diagonals, serges and basket weaves. Colors navy, brown, wistaria, gray and tan.

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Street Coats
Women and Misses
\$6.75

Were \$10.50 to \$13.50

Some juniors' sizes. They consist of mixtures and navy blue. Another price of \$9.75 on coats worth from \$12.50 to \$27.50.

Utility Coats
\$15.00

Were \$22.50 to \$27.50

Mixtures in gray, brown, purple and tan. Every one a bargain. Another price of \$25 on coats worth \$32.50 to \$45.

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Broadcloth Coats
\$19.75

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Both in the semi-fitting and tight fitting models. New coats in these always wanted styles. Full Skinner satin lined.

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Prices exactly halved on hand-some and luxurious pony skin and Hudson seal coats that were \$50, \$77.50, \$85, \$150 and \$197.50.

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Other prices are \$25 for coats and capes that were \$32.50 to \$50; \$35 for those that were \$42.50 to \$50.00.

Children, Too, Are to be Equally Benefited by this Clearing Sale

SIZES 8 TO 14
Three-quarter Coats in navy and red, originally \$3.50, now **\$2.50**
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New Long Coats in navy blue, originally \$5.50 and \$8.00, now **\$4.00 and \$6.50**
New Long Coats in gray mixtures, originally \$10.50, now **\$8.50**
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CHILDREN'S HATS ONE-HALF PRICE

Prices have been cut in two on children's plain and fancy velvet Hats, Stuffed Felts, Beavers, Automobile, Poke Bonnets—every style, shape and trimming most favored this season and originally selling at \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$3.95 to \$6.50.

After Christmas Sale of Handkerchiefs

A radical clearing-away of surplus Handkerchief stock. Tremendous bargains in Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs in hundreds of dainty patterns from the small and plain to the most elaborate design. Among them hem-stitched, colored borders, colored centers, embroidered or scalloped embroidered edges. Originally 15c. On sale at **9c**

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\$1.95

These hats are all in splendid condition and include large, small and medium shapes, stylishly trimmed with ribbon, wings, worsted braids, etc.; also velvet toques and turbans for elderly women. The limited number at this pittance price will make apparent the necessity of coming early for a choice.

All Other Hats at Half Price

SHARON ESTATE GARDEN OF EDEN

Expert Landscape Gardener to
Beautiful Menlo Park
Grounds.

MENLO PARK, Dec. 25.—Fred Sharon, multi-millionaire and clubman, has concluded negotiations with Mark R. Farnish, a landscape engineer, to make his 700-acre estate here a veritable paradise. The task will consume more than four years, and will cost at least \$200,000. The beautifying of the Sharon estate is the most extensive work of its kind that has been undertaken in the west. The name of landscape effect will be striven for and obtained, if money and genius can attain it. Flowers and plants from every corner of the globe are being imported.

The Sharons had planned to erect a marble palace for their country home, and convert their present wooden dwelling into a clubhouse. This project has been abandoned because it was decided that a marble structure would not be a fit setting for what will be one of the world's most beautiful gardens.

piece by piece, with no set purpose, with the result that a perfect blend has rarely been obtained. To avoid this, the Sharons will have the transformation of their country place accomplished at once, under one man.

SMALL BOY LOST IN SEARCH FOR SANTA

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Three-year-old Joseph Charles Fredericks, garbed in faded blue overalls and patched overcoat, in company with his brother Eddie, who is two years his senior, wandered from his home at 335 Raymond avenue, in the southern part of the city, last night, and journeyed to newspaper row, where he expected to share in the distribution of presents which the youthful minds conceived would take place during the Christmas eve festivities at Lot's fountain.

WASHINGTON GIVES OUT ARMY ORDERS

Changes Made in Stations and
Other Announcements
Are Published.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—First Lieutenant Edward L. Napier, medical corps, now on leave of absence, will report at San Francisco by January 1 for duty as surgeon of the transport Sheridan during the voyage of that transport to Manila. Upon arrival at Manila, Lieutenant Napier will report for assignment to duty.

Orders of December 15, relating to Captain Joseph A. Worthington, medical corps, is revoked.

Major Charles E. McKinstry, corps of engineers, will proceed from Cleveland to Los Angeles to take station, relieving Captain William F. Stokely, corps of engineers.

Order of June 10, relating to Colonel John Mills, corps of engineers, is revoked.

Captain Palmer H. Pierce, Thirtieth infantry, will proceed to West Point for temporary duty and upon completion thereof will return to his proper station.

STRAIN OF DURBAR TOO MUCH FOR THE QUEEN

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Word was brought to London yesterday by an incoming Italian steamship that Queen Mary was in a state of extreme nervousness as a result of the strain of the Durbar ceremonies and fear of an untoward incident.

EXTRA TRIPS ON S. P. CREEK ROUTE

Christmas Auto Parties Accommodated by Company's
Extension of Time.

Automobilists who have to cross the bay today will be glad to know that they can do so for some hours later than usual, on the creek route ferry of the Southern Pacific. This line will run two extra boats each way, which will leave both Oakland and San Francisco at 10 and at 11 p. m. During the New Year holiday the same extension of time will be observed.

On Saturday, December 30, and on New Year's Day automobiles may leave for San Francisco or for Oakland at 10 and at 11 o'clock. On Sunday the extra boat will run at 11:15 from San Francisco, and at 10:30 from Oakland.

Santa Fe To Los Angeles

THE ANGEL
Lv. Oakland . . . 4:00 p. m.
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Ar. San Diego . . . 1:10 p. m.

THE SAINT
Lv. San Diego . . . 1:10 p. m.
Lv. Los Angeles . . 5:15 p. m.
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A Message Not Yet Understood.

At this season of peace and good will among men it is melancholy to reflect that deadly strife is going on in many quarters of the globe. In this morning's papers appear accounts of fighting between the Italians and Turks in Tripoli, between Russians and Persians on the shores of the Caspian sea, between Spaniards and Arabs in Morocco and between rival factions in China.

It is not pleasant to read of bloodshed and slaughter on Christmas morning. It reminds us that the world is far from Christianized and that the so-called Christian nations are still lacking in the grace of the Christian spirit. Under the veneer of civilization man is still a primitive barbarian, with the fighting instinct strongly developed and held in abeyance only by the slenderest of conventional restraints.

It is nearly two thousand years since Jesus came bearing his message of universal peace to mankind, but as yet less than half—scarcely more than a third—of the human race have accepted the message and no nation has accepted it fully. At first glance this may seem disheartening, but to the philosophic mind it is not at all discouraging. It is not the fault of the message that men have been slow in understanding and accepting it. The civilization built upon it is the highest and best the world has ever known. It has not failed—only man has failed to appreciate it, to receive it in his heart and order his life and conduct by it.

Christianity has not failed because men have failed to be Christians. It still stands for the superlative in spiritual and moral ethics. It still stands for the highest standard of conduct, the noblest conceptions of human life and the most gracious rule of intercourse between men and nations.

In the dawn of creation man was a savage creature battling for existence with still more savage and brutish creatures. His first step toward conquest was physical, not moral. He had to conquer the beasts of the field and then to master the forces of nature. His powers of mind were of necessity exerted to obtain material supremacy. This disciplined and prepared him for spiritual development. That is still in an imperfect stage. He has obtained dominion over all other animals and the elements, but he is not yet master of his own passions and the atavistic cravings of his savage ancestors. He is still a barbarian, venerated and polished to an extent, it is true, but not yet fully conscious of the spiritual and ethical laws which control his being and direct his destiny. Dimly and through darkened glasses he reads the message delivered by Jesus. He still confuses and confounds the law of God with the law of the jungle, and hence this Christmas morning men are arrayed in arms against each other when they should be cementing the bonds of peace in brotherly union and rejoicing that broil and bloodshed are banished from the earth.

In the end Los Angeles was trimmed along with San Francisco in the legislative reapportionment. Had they stood together from the start for a fair apportionment within the meaning of the constitution they would not now be complaining of being shorn to enhance the power of rural constituencies. But San Francisco asked for more than she was entitled to and Los Angeles wanted to job this end of the state for the aggrandizement of the southern counties. This working at cross purposes enabled the cowhide caucus to finally dictate an apportionment essentially unfair to both San Francisco and Los Angeles. The apportionment bill which finally passed the Assembly is a rank gerrymander, unjust in its proportions and grossly unfair in its arrangement of districts, but it is the natural fruit of a grab contest for unfair political advantage. No faction and no party is guiltless in this matter. Personal designs joined with factional political schemers in destroying geographical harmony and banishing equity from an apportionment which defies honesty and common sense in its details.

For Sane Christmas Shopping.

Let us have sane Christmas shopping. After all that was said about the advantage of shopping early, there was a tremendous rush of buyers Saturday and Sunday night. In the afternoon and evening the stores were mobbed by throngs who had either forgotten or neglected to buy something they needed or presents for relatives and friends who had been overlooked. Everybody was carrying bundles, and when the stores closed at night they had to turn out swarms of unsatisfied shoppers.

Nearly all this late rush buying is unnecessary. It is unsatisfactory in the highest degree and inflicts a hardship on clerks and salesmen that should be avoided. Some people will always put their Christmas buying off till the last moment; a few are forced by circumstances to defer it; but the vast majority of late shoppers have only themselves to blame for the worry and rush of trying to select what they want in a mad whirl of eager purchasers. If they would use a little forethought and method in making up their lists of holiday purchases and buy them leisurely in good season they would avoid much worry and many mistakes, and get better value for their money. They would not have to scramble for places at store counters and lug their purchases home for fear they will not be delivered in time.

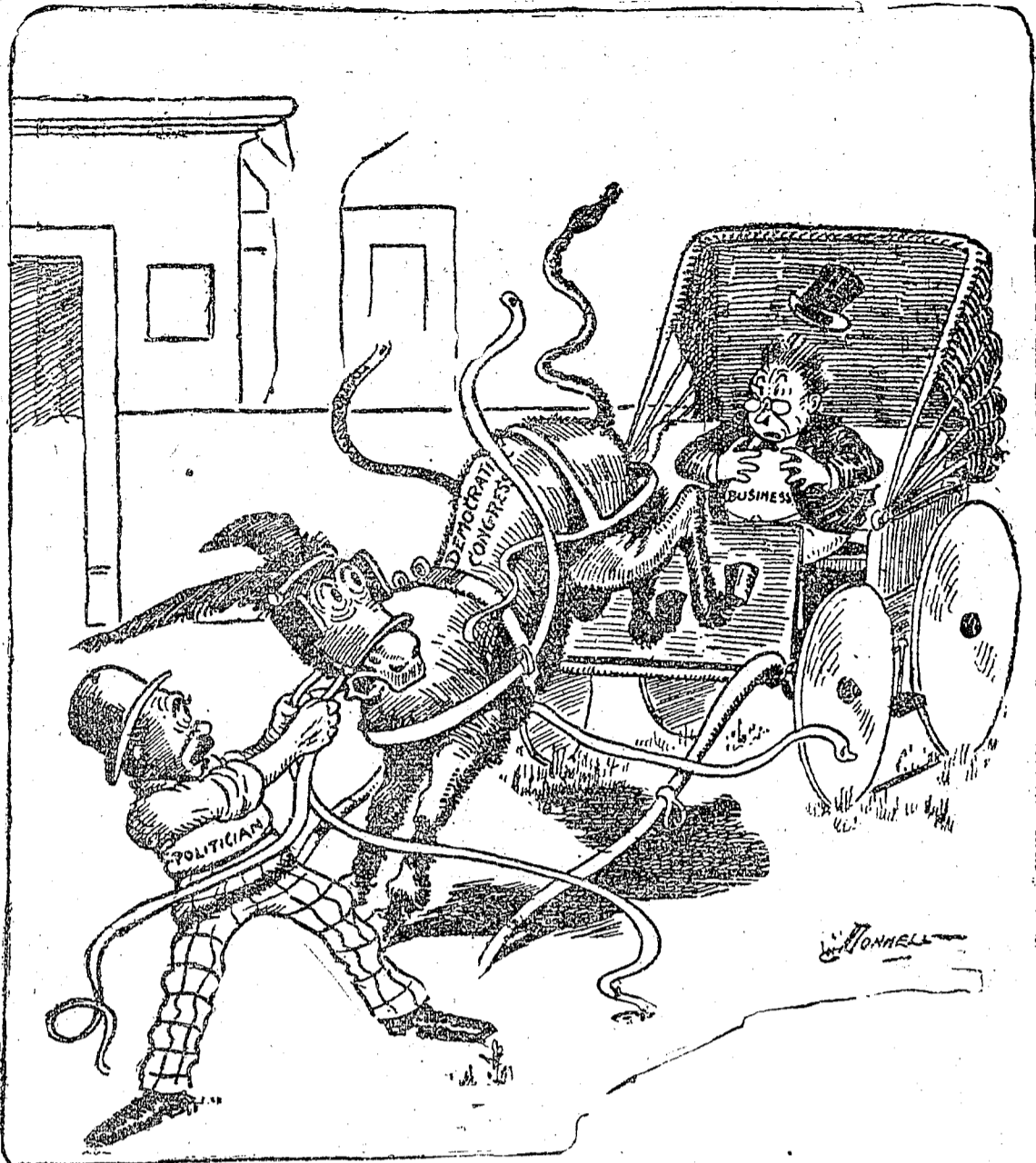
While the streets and stores on Saturday afternoon and night presented a busy and enlivening scene, they also presented an example of unthrifty and thoughtless holiday shopping. There was no excuse for it. For weeks the weather has been ideal for this season of the year. The skies were clear and underfoot it was dry. There was just enough chill in the air to make the sunshine feel grateful and to send the blood bounding through the veins. The stores made all sorts of inviting displays, and people had nothing to do but walk in and pick out what they wanted, with plenty of time to make exchanges and insure prompt delivery.

Nevertheless, the last shopping day witnessed an enormous crush, which continued as long as the stores remained open Saturday night. At midnight the cars were crowded with people laden with bundles, going home tired and cross to trim their Christmas trees and arrange their gifts. This is irrational and mostly unnecessary, and, as we said before, is largely avoidable. If people would only be considerate of themselves and their own interests they would show more consideration for the tired employees in the stores and shops.

It is to be hoped that the real meaning of early shopping will come to be better understood in future. Christmas will be much more enjoyable when the buying it necessitates is done with more leisure, method and system. There will then be no such frantic rush at the last minute as there was Saturday night.

"Oh, yes; David danced before the Lord." But he did not waltz before the Lord. So says the editor of the Fresno Republican. Perhaps he will tell us how he found out that David did not waltz. The Bible says "David danced naked before the Lord." Is the altogether done in ragtime more moral than the waltz danced in the incumbrances of decency? Probably the editor of the Republican does not waltz; in that case his moral qualms are entitled to sympathy if not endorsement. But why bring David's name into the business? He is not a modern instance, and he did not meet Uriah's wife at a dance.

The Hostler: Safe? Sure He's Safe! Sit Quiet, Can't You?



—ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

Twenty Years Ago Today

A bright clear day, a bracing wind, sweeping down and sending the blood pulsing quicker through the veins. This is the Christmas day that nature has provided for Oakland. Man has done his share too, parties, entertainments, services of celebration and general good-nature has served to add to the pleasures of the day.

On Monday January 4, 1892, a new school for girls will be opened at Mission, San Jose by the German Dominican Sisters, the same order that has charge of the Academy of the Immaculate Conception in Guerrero street, San Francisco.

At the Universalist Chapel, the following members took part in the Christmas services, singing in the choir: Misses L. Clough, Kate Benner, Grace Carroll, E. Hobson, E. Benner and Mrs. W. B. Stadfeldt, R. J. Mould, H. Benner, W. Stone, H. Thomas, J. G. W. Stark, W. C. Stratfield, Mrs. J. G. W. Stark and W. Hall. The engagement is announced of Miss E. May Vise Wheeler, daughter of Thomas Wheeler of this city and Jesse Warren Churchill, son of Jerome Churchill of Yreka. The wedding will take place in February. The engagement of Miss Minnie Dohrman of Alameda to Dr. C. Fischl of San Francisco has also been announced. Miss Dohrman is the daughter of F. W. Dohrman.

William E. Leber and Miss Laura Smith were married on Wednesday evening, December 15 at the residence of the bride's uncle, J. A. Colquhoun, Rev. Alex. Calhoun of Alameda officiating.

On New Year's Eve Company E, Fifth Regiment will hold their fifteenth anniversary ball in Cavalry hall. The following are on the committee: Captain J. F. Hayes, Sergeant R. P. Poorman, Sergeant C. C. Covatt, Sergeant J. R. Neylan, Corporals J. F. Brooks, L. E. Wenk, H. E. Harvey, Privates A. E. Markley, G. C. Stanley and J. H. Cobble-dick.

Wednesday evening Frank W. Willard was tendered a surprise by his many friends in honor of his twenty-first birthday. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Willard, Frank Willard, Miss Grace Solane, Miss Rose McDonald, Miss Nellie Walters, Miss Mamie Collins, Miss Edith Thorne, Misses Maggie and Cassie Collins, Miss Marion Stone, Miss Pansy Hastings, Mrs. D. Roland, Dr. Hayes, Frank Mann, J. Gilbert, A. Gibbons, Charles Richards, Laurence Sullivan, James Wallis, Louis Deane, J. Barry, J. Keane, Albert Campbell, Frederick Mays and others.

ALONG BYWAYS

"The tip is an insult," says the Chicago Record-Herald. Insulting the waiter then is what keeps traveling men poor.—Detroit Free Press.

Dr. Finney, who has refused to take Woodrow Wilson's old job at Princeton, must be afraid of being stung by the Presidential bee.—Denver Republican.

We have never been able to understand why any one was so anxious to cross the Atlantic Ocean going eastward as to want to make the trip in a balloon.—Dayton News.

Mrs. Patterson, acquitted in Denver of murder, says her past life has been lurid enough and she wants her future to be a poem. A little villanelle, as it were.—Baltimore Sun.

Andrew Carnegie puts Shakespeare in his list of great men and may relinquish any hope he has had of being able to win the good opinion of Dr. Owen, the celebrated excavator.—Chicago Record-Herald.

HE WAS HELPING

A Baltimore man, whose son is a student at Princeton, has had frequent occasion to remonstrate with his boy touching his extravagance; but the father invariably "comes to the front" when request is made for further funds.

In his last letter to his son, the father, after the usual recital, stated that he was forwarding a check for \$50, and he wound up with:

"My son, your studies are costing me a great deal."

To which the hopeful, in his next letter, replied:

"I know it, father; and I don't study very hard, either."—Christian Work.

Mr. Clark may be expected to announce soon the date on which he is going to kidnap Miss Canada.—Chattanooga Times.

THOSE DEAR GIRLS

Maud—I am told I get my good looks from my mother.

Ethel—I wouldn't repeat that if I were you.

Maud—Why not?

Ethel—People will think your mother was stingy—Boston Transcript.

AN EARLY FROHMAN.

First Mediaeval Manager—How's your latest miracle play?

Second Ditto—Fine. Thought it would be a failure, though, till we hit on something that's got the women coming in droves.

F. M. M.—How so?

Second Ditto—We lost the baby that we used in the "Solomon and the Two Mothers" baby scene, and have been using a lapdog ever since.—Puck.

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CHECKERS' COMES FOR ANOTHER STAY

Old Theatrical Friend at Macdonough Theater for Four Days.

Our old and welcome friend, "Checkers," returned to Oakland yesterday afternoon to make us another visit, and while there were not many of us present to greet him at the Macdonough, still those of us who were glad to see him back and that he is going to stay to long, four days in fact.

It is easy to understand the appeal of the play with its clean, thoroughly American brightness, and although Henry Blossom wrote it 10 years ago and in that "aside" and certain other theatrical devices have become a thing of the past, the inherent excellence of the characterization, the humor of the lines, and the simplicity of the story combine to produce a pleasing little play.

The story of the likable young follower of the ponies who stakes his all on the love of a girl and a horse and wins out at a canter is so well known to the present generation of theater-goers, as well as to the novel-reading public through the book of that name, that there are few who know what to expect when they buy their tickets. And it speaks well for the play and company that they continue to come a second and third time as many do and have done.

Nowadays the chief interest in the play to the habitual theater-goer rests in the acting company, and the play itself with all its credit to the management that it is thoroughly adequate. There is not a role badly done, and several are well worked out, indicating futures of promise for the actors.

ABRAHAM AS MILLER.
This is particularly the case with Dave Abraham, the clown, who gives such a clever and spontaneous bit of characterization that you can't help hoping this will be his last season in the role. Ten years is certainly long enough to play any role, no matter how good, if the actor has ambition at all, and if Abraham has not, he ought to have.

Florence Weston, who plays "Pert Barlow," Checkers' sweetheart, promises much more than she achieves. She is a singularly attractive and unaffected little heroine, but a certain breathlessness of utterance and of vocal and facial expression militates against what should be a thoroughly charming figure. She gives the impression of being a very young actress who has not yet learned voice-placing and projection of personality over the footlights.

One of the most likable personalities and some of the best work in the cast is done by George Sweet as Arthur Kendall, the semi-clown and rival with Checkers for Pert's affections. Here is an unusually good looking fellow with poise, stage presence and no little acting ability who, if it keeps his present naturalness, ought to make one of the best of juveniles. He is almost that already.

Miss Cavanaugh, who has the title role, merits entire satisfaction by not getting into the skin of his part. It is to be obviously said to him. Other members of the cast, although burlesque now and then, round out a performance that is always pleasant if never excellent, well worth spending an evening at.

LEAPS THREE STORIES; ONLY SLIGHTLY HURT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Brimming with Christmas cheer taken internally in small doses, Edward Futrell, lightweight champion of Hawaii, imagined himself on one of the slippery rocks in the Hawaiian surf, as he gazed into the street from the third story window of his hotel at 156 Tehama street last night. He clasped his hands together and made a big spring. A dull thud followed. Hundreds of passersby ran to the scene and were horrified to see the huddled form move on the pavement.

Just as the nearest persons reached the scene Futrell, instead of being dazed, picked himself up and brushed the blood out of his face with a sweep of his arm and murmured to the men who had taken hold of him:

"Comish shirr sholly Chrissmass, comish shirr sholly Chrissmass, and to push toward the bright lights of a nearby saloon.

He was taken to the Harbor Hospital, where examination showed that his three-story dive to the pavement had resulted only in a few scratches and abrasions of the arms and body.

UPSETS BIBLE STORIES.
BELLEFONTAINE, Ohio, Dec. 25.—Today is the one thousand nine hundred and eleventh anniversary of the birth of Christ, according to statements made by George W. Kalbeck, pastor emeritus of the First Presbyterian church, yesterday. He says Christ was born four, and may be seven years earlier, than dating of this era. He also said that the Magi, or wise men from the East, did not find Christ in a manger at Bethlehem. While Christ was born in a manger, he says, the Magi did not arrive until the child was at least forty days old and the child and mother had been taken elsewhere.

NEWSPAPER OFFICE BLOWN UP.
CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Dynamite last night destroyed the publishing office of the Daily Calumet, a newspaper published in South Chicago. The printing press and linotype department were blown to pieces. George W. Bowling, editor of the paper, had been active in a crusade against writers of blackhand letters and had received many threatening letters.

Excursion Rates to Napa.
Commencing January 3, to 6 inclusive round trip tickets will be on sale at one fare and one third account poultry show. These tickets will be on sale from San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, Stockton, Sacramento and intermediate points including branch lines with a final return limit of January 1. For further information see S. P. agent.

AMUSEMENTS

MOTION PICTURE THEATERS
Pleasant Educational Entertainment—Afternoon, Evening—Finest and Most Modern Pictures Displayed—Continuous Performances.

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Exclusive INDEPENDENT Pictures—CHANGED EVERY DAY
TODAY
SPECIAL XMAS DAY FEATURE.
"Foolishhead's Xmas"
A Comedy Topical. Other New Pictures. Excellent Musical Program Tomorrow. "2D EDITION WAR IN TRIPOLI."

Best Wishes of the Season
AND A SPLENDID PROGRAM
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BROADWAY AT TWELFTH STREET

WOMEN IN THE NEWS WILL LIVE TOGETHER UNTIL END OF TIME, SAYS KEMP

"I'd Be Cur if I Quit Mrs. Sinclair Now," Declares Free Love Poet.

POINT PLEASANT, N. J., Dec. 25.—Declaring that Upton Sinclair had encouraged his attentions Mrs. Sinclair and that no love had existed between the Socialists and his wife, Harry Kemp, the Kansas poet, in an interview at the bungalow where he and Mrs. Sinclair have recently made their home, explained his unusual views of the marriage relation which were echoed by Mrs. Sinclair herself.

"There is no reason why I should not explain the fact that we are living in this bungalow," Kemp said.

"I am not afraid or ashamed of it. And I would be a cur and a tenderfoot if I did not play square with one of the squarest little women in the world."

"There is far greater reason for Meta Sinclair and me to live as we are living in defiance of the conventions than for her to be held in the eyes of the law as the wife of Upton Sinclair, whom she divorced three years ago in every sense of the word, though not in law."

"We intend living together as we are now until the end of time, if we find that our mutual love and interests hold us together. Who can tell how long that may be?"

"But no laws of marriage or marriage ties would keep us apart. 'The decision that binds the Sinclairs in law has convinced me of the necessity of a more strict monogamy.'"

It was only when Mrs. Sinclair spoke of her little son, David, that she showed any worry or sadness.

"I am afraid that Upton will get a divorce and want the boy," she said, "and he should be with me."

Chorus Girl Rival

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Though great efforts have been made to keep the fact secret, it was learned yesterday that the young woman named by Mrs. Abraham L. Erlanger in her divorce suit against the head of the theatrical syndicate was Ellyne Snowden, a chorus girl.

Miss Snowden first came into front row prominence when the Weber & Field music hall was at the height of its popularity. Afterward she appeared in musical plays under the direction of Klaw & Erlanger and the Shuberts.

For more than a year Miss Snowden has not graced the chorus. Six months ago she left a handsomely furnished apartment in this city and took quarters elsewhere. About this time she told friends that she had "inherited \$40,000."

Wins Him Pardon.
COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 25.—After Mrs. Harmon had exonerated Rufus Burcham, life prisoner in the penitentiary, a promise to lead an upright life, Governor Harmon yesterday granted him a pardon.

Burcham was convicted in the complicity in the murder of a Portsmouth, O. man, for which Mose Johnson, a negro, was electrocuted in 1904. Before his death, Johnson exonerated Burcham of the crime in a statement to Warden Hoesley of the prison. Before the pardon could be granted the fact to Governor Harmon he dropped dead.

The case was recently brought to the attention of Governor Harmon by prison attaches who knew of the negro's confession. Before granting the pardon, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon were closeted with the prisoner for more than thirty minutes, while Mrs. Harmon admonished him as to his future mode of living.

He Wants Widow.
BOSTON, Dec. 25.—John Farrill, aged 55, of Framingham, hung up his stocking last evening with the expectancy of a youngster and sincerely hopes that Santa Claus will remember him.

Farrill desires no ordinary gift, nothing more than, as he expresses it, "a real live baby about 40 years of age—a widow preferred."

Farrill addressed the following letter to Santa Claus, which was opened at the Boston postoffice yesterday.

"My Dear Old Santa Claus—As you are bringing much happiness to thousands of children, why cannot you let a bright ray of sunshine into my life. I am an old fellow, 55 years old, a widower with no children, of good character and in good health, own a good home and work the year round. Will you please send me a real live baby about 40 years old; a widow preferred, no objection to one or two children. Please do the best you can for me and oblige."

"A JONESOME MAN."
Denies Freak Dance.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Mrs. William E. Draper, widow of the late General Draper, former ambassador to Italy, last night declared false the report that live humming birds and butterflies would be used in the decorations for the fancy-dress ball she will give in honor of the debut of her daughter, Miss Margaret Preston Draper, on Wednesday night.

"There will be no humming birds or butterflies," she said. "The ballroom will be decorated about the same as it was at the functions we gave before my husband died, in 1900."

This means that the event will be one of the most brilliant, if not the most brilliant, of the Washington social season.

Cries for Joy.
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Kitty Gordon, prima donna and heart-breaker, was entirely oblivious to her large audience yesterday when she stood on the deck of the liner Campania, in from Liverpool, and for several moments wept over and kissed her 10-year-old daughter, Vera.

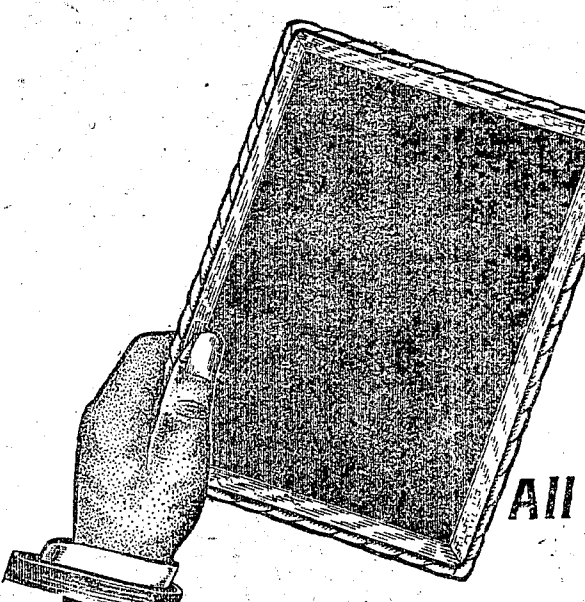
Vera's father is the Hon. Captain Henry Beresford, brother of Lord Decies, who married Vivien Gould.

She inherits all the beauty of her mother, and was a favorite with the passengers on the voyage across.

Freed by Husband.
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—With the charge of grand larceny dismissed because of the refusal of her husband, Mrs. Ruth C. Smith was released from jail yesterday. She and her husband, Walter Smith, will return to their home in San Francisco at once. Mrs. Smith was arrested here several days ago on a warrant sworn to by her husband, charging her with absconding with \$1900.

There They Waited.
STOCKTON, Dec. 25.—Friends waited in vain in the Central Methodist church to witness the marriage of Rawling C. Smith and Miss Vada Morrow, well known in the city's younger social set. There was no blushing bride or handsome bridegroom. Finally it was announced to the restless audience that the wedding would have to be postponed owing to the sudden illness in young Smith's family.

It is said that the real reason of the postponement was that Smith's parents would not give their consent, claiming



"CLEAN SLATE" SALE

An End of the Year Carnival of Extraordinary Value Giving

All Holiday Goods and 1911 Merchandise Must Go

New Year's day is the time when new resolutions are made—the affairs of the old year cleaned up—the slate of departed activities wiped clean of its records

We Are Anticipating Time

And cleaning our slate now—the new year must be the dawn of a new era for us—new merchandise must replace the old—we have a week in which to accomplish our object—without regard for cost or loss and without reservation.

Everything Has Been Reduced

We Will Start the New Year With a Complete New Stock, "A Clean Slate" So to Speak

Read the Items—Everyone a Feature

The stocks embrace standard brands of dependable apparel in the season's newest modes and materials—there is nothing old or shopworn in the entire establishment—everything is new and up to the minute in every particular. The original prices were noted for being remarkably low, and, with the present reductions, the savings mean more than a casual glance would reveal. Read every line and come early Tuesday and save on your winter purchases.

A Few of the Many Savings Offered in the Men's Department

Clothing	Men's Shirts	Neckwear	Men's Hats	Men's Shoes
Kuppenheimer, Frauenthal and Union Label. \$15.00 Suits now.....\$12.50 \$18.00 Suits now.....\$15.00 \$20.00 Suits now.....\$16.50 \$25.00 Suits now.....\$21.50 \$30.00 Suits now.....\$24.50 \$35.00 Suits now.....\$27.50	Standard brands of Manhattan, Cluett, Ide and Silver. \$1.00 Shirts now.....85c \$1.50 Shirts now.....\$1.15 \$2.00 Shirts now.....\$1.45 \$2.50 Shirts now.....\$1.65 \$3.00 Shirts now.....\$1.95 \$3.50 Shirts now.....\$2.45 \$4.00 Shirts now.....\$2.95	25c Ties now.....15c 50c Ties now 35c, 3 for \$1.00 75c Ties now.....50c \$1.00 Ties now.....65c \$1.50 Ties now.....95c	All lines included except STETSON'S. \$1.50 Hats now.....\$1.25 \$2.00 Hats now.....\$1.65 \$2.50 Hats now.....\$1.95 \$3.00 Hats now.....\$2.45 \$4.00 Hats now.....\$3.15 \$5.00 Hats now.....\$3.85	All lasts—all leathers and sizes. \$6.00 Shoes now.....\$4.95 \$5.00 Shoes now.....\$3.95 \$4.00 Shoes now.....\$2.45 \$3.50 Shoes now.....\$2.95 \$3.00 Shoes now.....\$2.45
Overcoats	Pajamas	Underwear	Bath Robes	Smoking Jackets
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Extra Special Tuesday Only
Clarke's Silky Sox are sold under a contract price and can not be reduced, but with every box of six pair we will make you a present of an extra pair free.

1.95 Broken Lots of Men's Shoes 1.95
A big assortment of broken lines—small sizes, and narrow widths in the newest and most pleasing and popular models, worth up to \$5.00, on sale for \$5.00 VALUE

Initial Handkerchiefs
We have a lot of broken lines of Initial Handkerchiefs—the values are up to 25c, and if your initial happens to be in the assortment take your choice for 10c.

Extraordinary Specials For the Boys

Boys' Short Pants Suits	Boys' Overcoats	Children's Hats	Children's Caps	Boys' and Youths' Shoes
In Norfolk and double breasted many patterns and mixtures. \$2.05 Suits now.....\$2.45 \$3.50 Suits now.....\$2.95 \$5.00 Suits now.....\$4.25 \$6.50 Suits now.....\$5.45 \$7.50 Suits now.....\$6.15 \$10.00 Suits now.....\$9.35	All sizes in the newest fancy mixtures. \$2.95 Coats now.....\$2.45 \$3.50 Coats now.....\$2.95 \$5.00 Coats now.....\$4.25 \$6.50 Coats now.....\$5.45 \$7.50 Coats now.....\$6.15 \$10.00 Coats now.....\$8.35	Big assortment in soft hats for the little tots. 50c Hats now.....35c 75c Hats now.....50c \$1.00 Hats now.....65c \$1.50 Hats now.....\$1.15 \$2.00 Hats now.....\$1.65	This assortment embraces a great many styles in all the most popular and pleasing colors and materials of the day. 50c Caps now.....35c 75c Caps now.....50c \$1.00 Caps now.....65c	\$2.50 Boys' Shoes.....\$2.95 \$3.00 Youths' Shoes.....\$2.45 \$2.50 Little Gents'.....\$1.95 Many models, all leathers and sizes.

A Riot of Stupendous Bargains Buy Now and Save



Broadway at Eleventh Street

The Greatest Value Giving Event Ever Held in Oakland

FLOWERS ARE GIFT OF COMMISSIONERS

Hospitals and Charitable Organizations Benefit; Elks to Have Tree.

Flowers were sent by the Oakland park department to hospitals and charitable institutions in Oakland Saturday and a large quantity of holly, greens and berries were also sent. Wagons loaned by the street department were used to carry the flowers and shrubs.

The recipients of flowers and greens from the park departments were the Kings Daughters' Hospital, Fabiola Hospital, Merritt Hospital, Providence Hospital and the Little Sisters of the Poor.

The Elks will entertain the children from the various orphanages of Oakland at an elaborate Christmas tree party tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. It is the plan of the lodge to provide cheer for 250 children of the poor, from the West Oakland home, the Fred Finch orphanage, the Ladies' Relief society and from the wards of the Associated Charities.

GIGANTIC TREE.
The place of honor in the hall will be devoted to a gigantic Christmas tree laden with toys, candy and practical gifts. The hall has been decorated elaborately with holly and evergreens. The presents will be distributed by I. Harrison Clay, chairman of the committee in charge, assisted by a large number of Elks and their wives. Large quantities of fruit, Christmas cards and other "goodies" have been provided, and the children will be sent away content.

A vaudeville program has been arranged as a part of the evening's entertainment, in which the best talent of the lodge as well as a number of professionals who have volunteered their services, will take part. To raise the funds necessary for the entertainment the Elks

CHRISTMAS CHEER IN COUNTY JAIL

Religious Services Held in Jail; Bill of Fare Has Additions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Christmas cheer entered the walls of the county jail this morning and the prisoners were assembled for religious services conducted by several of the church organizations. The inmates were also treated to a turkey dinner ordered by Sheriff Tom Flinn, and for which a number of men sentenced to terms in San Quentin were allowed to remain over. Candy and fruit were distributed to the prisoners in their cells by charitable persons, who made a special collection of donations for the purpose.

In the city prison roast pork was added to the usual fare. There was no turkey, as Thanksgiving is the only day in which an appropriation is made for the purchase of the fowl.

The prisoners, however, appreciated the change and, as usual, there were more behind the bars over the holiday than is customarily the case.

HOUSE IS BURNED.
A defective flue in the chimney of the residence of Miss M. Conlon at 320 Cypress street caused a fire which partially destroyed the house yesterday afternoon. The roof burned, and the contents of the upper rooms were destroyed by smoke, flames and water. The damage amounted to \$500.

A vaudeville program Wednesday night, introducing a number of novelties. The following committee is in charge of the affair: L. Harrison Clay, George Fleetham, Milo Hickox, W. E. Gibson, A. Moffitt, Max Horwinski, Fred Johnson and Elmer Hunt.

ARMY SANTA TO REMEMBER 'KIDS'

Waifs of Oakland to Be Gladdened at Christmas Tree Tonight.

"Old Santa" will gladden the hearts of hosts of children this evening at the annual Christmas tree to be given by the Salvation Army to needy youngsters, who will receive toys, food, wearing apparel and useful gifts, collected by a company of army lassies and officers. The celebration will be held in the Citadel, 623 Ninth street, where all entertainments and services of the Salvation Army are conducted.

Last year several hundred boys and girls were greeted by "Santa," who, after distributing the presents, disappeared. In his customary robe of red broadcloth and white fur, he will fascinate the "kids" again this year.

Many street urchins and waifs from all parts of Oakland will be welcomed. The invitation extended by the army includes little folks whose parents have not the wherewithal to fill their stockings with dolls and other things that make Christmas day a joyful event for the tots.

NOTED PRIEST DIES.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 25.—Rev. Hyacinth Huplak, priest in charge of St. Hedges church, one of the largest Polish Catholic congregations in the country, died yesterday after a prolonged illness.

His Present

EVERETT, Wash., Dec. 25.—A city office, drawing a tidy salary and accompanied by all the duties, powers and perquisites of a municipal official, was the Christmas present announced by Rev. R. B. Hassell, mayor-elect of Everett for Sarah E. Hassell, his wife. When the new mayor takes office the first of the year, Mrs. Hassell will be escorted in his front office as his secretary, and it is said that the minister-mayor intends to turn over to her even more of the detail work of the running of the city than is the usual lot of the mayor's secretary. Woman government is to have a trial. Hassell was elected largely on the votes of the newly-franchised sex, and he has remembered them liberally in his announced appointments.

Miss Shirek Is Bride

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—A wedding that attracted much interest took place last night in the Red room of the Fairmont hotel, when Miss Judith Montessori Shirek, pianist, became the bride of Jewell Alexander, a San Francisco attorney. The ceremony was pronounced by the Rev. Bernard Kaplan. Henry Alexander of Watsonville, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Shirek, who live at the Hotel Dorchester. Attorney Alexander is an officer of the Young Men's Hebrew Association and is identified with a number of benevolent organizations.

Pioneer Woman Dies.
SAN RAFAEL, Dec. 25.—Mrs. Thomas Hansen, 61 years old, wife of a prominent business man of this city and a resident of Marin county for over thirty-eight years, died at her home, 307 H street, early yesterday morning of pneumonia. She had been ill but a short time.

Besides her husband, the deceased is survived by three sons. They are: Carson, who is engaged with his father in

WOOLEN TARIFF TO BE EXCUSE FOR MANY BILLS

Surfeit of Measures Will Be Thrust in Face of U. S. Solons.

SMOOT HAS ONE IN COURSE OF PREPARATION

Hopes That Board's Report Will Be Accepted by the People.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Congress is to have a number of bills revising the woolen tariff schedules, and a hard fight is assured immediately after the holiday recess.

Democratic members of the Ways and Means committee already have begun the preparation of a bill; the Republican members of the committee are also preparing a wool bill, and tonight Senator Smoot of Utah, a member of the Finance committee, said that he, too, would prepare a bill.

"I am pleased with the tariff board's report on schedule K," Senator Smoot said, "and hope the House will accept that body will be accepted by the American people."

Senator Smoot submitted for consideration of the House the following ideas as to revision:

The report shows that fine and fine medium wools, which represent nearly 80 per cent of our domestic clip, cost to produce from 11 to 12 cents a pound. The remaining 20 per cent, being the coarser grades, costs less. Australia and New Zealand produce great quantities of wool that come into competition with American fine and fine medium wools and costs 'net' to produce nothing, as the profits from the sale of mutton and sheep for skinning and other 'runs' pay in a normal year the entire station expenses.

DIFFERENCE IN "NET" COST.

Let us allow 2 cents a pound to cover extraordinary losses that may be caused by calamitous droughts in Australia. We then find a difference of the 'net' cost of producing fine and fine medium wools in this country and Australia and New Zealand of 9 to 10 cents a pound.

The report shows that western fine wools shrink on an average of 37 per cent; Ohio fine wools 50 per cent; and the lower grades of wools an average of 45 per cent, while the national average is about 50 per cent. Imported wools now coming in (largely skirted fleeces) shrink nearly 50 per cent. It is generally conceded that the average shrinkage of Australian wools uns skirted, would be 55 per cent or more.

"I approve the President's plan of levying duties on wool by a single specific duty based upon the scoured pound, with all wools now classified as first and second and thrown together with one rate, and third class, or carpet wools, at another and lower rate."

If the difference in cost of producing wools other than carpet and the lower grades in this country and abroad is only 9 cents a pound, and the average shrinkage of the fine and fine medium wools imported is 55 per cent, then the actual rate of duty on the scoured wool content should be 20 cents a pound.

FOR SINGLE RATE DUTY.

"I will support a single rate of duty, based on the scoured content of wool of the first and second class, of 90 cents a pound, and on the third class, or carpet wool, at a lower rate. The wool grower will receive as much protection as he is now receiving, based upon the 11 cents per pound in the greatest or a supposed protection of 32 cents on each scoured pound."

The rate of 20 cents a pound will be the basis for a compensatory duty for scoured wool used in the manufactured pound in the present law.

"The rate of duty on carpet wools should be considered more from a revenue basis than a protective one, and in my opinion ought to be 10 cents per pound on the scoured content."

"The determination of the shrinkage of each shipment of wool into the country must be by the importer, sale or bag in government establishments."

"I would like to see the rates high enough on rags and low grades of shoddy to prohibit their importation, and have enough of that class of adulterants produced in this country."

"The competitive duty levied upon woolen and worsted fabrics should be a specific of 27 cents per pound, being the 20 cents levied on scoured wool and 7 cents allowance for the difference in manufacturing (instead of 44 cents as now provided on goods valued at more than 40 cents a pound), and an additional ad valorem scale to equal the difference of production in this country and abroad."

NAGEL MAY GO TO SUPREME COURT

Senator Warren of Wyoming Says Cabinet Officer May Succeed Harlan.

DENVER, Dec. 25.—In an interview here United States Senator Francis B. Warren of Wyoming is quoted as saying that President Taft will appoint either Circuit Judge Walter C. Hook of Kansas, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Charles Nagel of St. Louis, or Frank J. Kellogg of Minnesota as associate justice of the United States Supreme Court to the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Harlan, and that in any event President Taft will appoint a man from the eighth circuit, commenting on the next presidential election Senator Warren says:

"I have no doubt of President Taft's renomination and I have no doubt of his re-election. The La Follette boom has collapsed and Republicans recognize this throughout the country."

THAW TO RENEW HIS BATTLE FOR FREEDOM

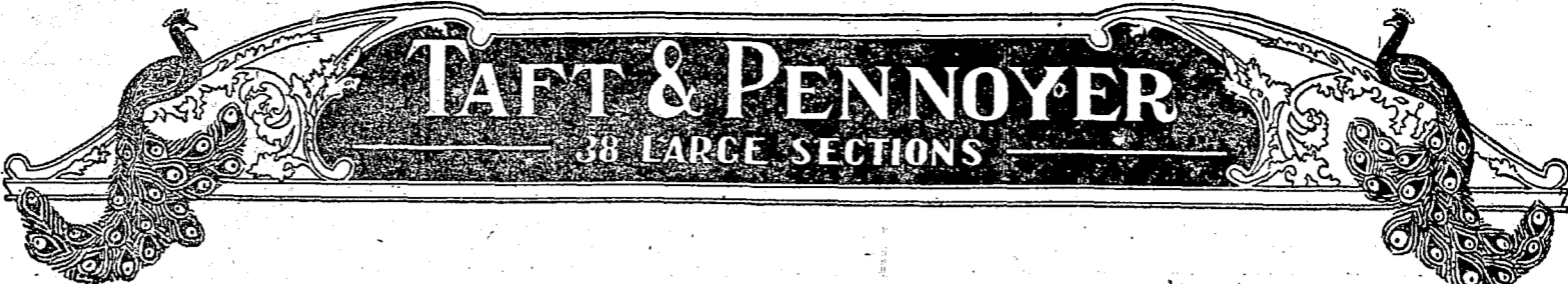
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 25.—That proceedings would be started before spring to obtain the release of Harry K. Thaw from the Mattawan State Hospital was learned on good authority last night.

Charles Morschauer, attorney for Thaw, admitted that he and Clarence J. Shearn, who is associated with him in the case, have been in conference over plans for Thaw to be released. Thaw, but declined to commit himself regarding the basis for the next fight.

TWIN BROTHERS BOTH LOSE THREE FINGERS

WARSAW, Wis., Dec. 25.—August and Jacob Hanks of the town of Lincoln, Wood county, are twins as like as two peas, and seem by a fate to be destined to remain so. For a short time they could be told apart, as Jacob had lost three fingers of his left hand in a feed cutter, but now this mark of differentiation has been obliterated by August losing three fingers of his left hand in the same kind of a machine.

10% OFF



10% OFF

Thirty-Fifth Annual 10% Discount Sale

Commences Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1911
Ends Wednesday, January 31, 1912

For the THIRTY-FIFTH time in the history of the business we call the attention of our patrons to our Annual Discount Sale. It has proved so successful in the past that we are not minded toward allowing its prestige over other sales to diminish this year. Everything that has been possible to do toward making it even more attractive has been done. The result is that FORTY DEPARTMENTS offer selections at FROM 10 PER CENT to 50 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON THE REGULAR PRICES. Regular prices mean just what the term implies at Taft & Pennoyer's. We do not mark up our merchandise 40 per cent and then offer a discount of 50 per cent. It looks well in type, but our firm's reputation forbids us to attract customers in this manner. Here you are insured QUALITY, FULL MEASURE AND PROTECTION, TOGETHER WITH LIBERAL DISCOUNTS DURING THE SALE.

NOTE—Every article in the store is subject to 10 PER CENT OR MORE REDUCTION EXCEPT:
1—Goods sold under contract with the manufacturer at a fixed price.
2—Goods already reduced 10 per cent or more which are marked "net."

1/2 OFF Fur Department

SECOND FLOOR.
FUR NECK PIECES, MUFFS AND SETS.
Ermine, Lynx, Mink, Fox—all included in this sale.

Waist Department

On Tuesday we will start our final Clean-Up Sale on Waists. Every Waist, Sweater, Sacque or Kimono; both imported and domestic subject to discount.

10 to 25 Per Cent Discount

We will also show tables of Waists specially priced—Lingerie, Linen, Silk and Chiffon.

\$2.50—sold formerly up to \$4.50
\$3.50—sold formerly up to \$7.50
\$5.00—sold formerly up to \$9.00

Special Reductions in the Children's Dept.

Children's Coats Reduced 25 Per Cent

These coats are all in the very latest models for winter wear, and can be had in Cloth, Velvet, Caracul, Corduroy and Blanket materials.

Ages 2 to 6 years.
\$5.00 Coats now \$3.75
\$6.00 Coats now \$4.50
\$7.50 Coats now \$5.65
\$10.00 Coats now \$7.50
\$15.00 Coats now \$11.25

Children's Headwear

at 25% Reductions

Many extremely pretty models in Children's Dress Hats and Bonnets—also tailored effects.

\$1.00 Headwear now .75c
\$1.50 Headwear now \$1.15
\$2.00 Headwear now \$1.50
\$3.00 Headwear now \$2.25
\$5.00 Headwear now \$3.75

Rogers' Silverware is Sold at Net Prices

Shoe Department

Our matchable offerings in High Grade Footwear. See the table for bargains. Ladies' small sizes and broken lines—Laird, Schober & Co., Wichert & Gardiner Patent Leather, Gun Metal, Calf, Kid with patent tips. Values \$4.00 to \$6.00. Now \$3.00.

Infants' and Children's broken lines in Patent Button, Lace, Oxfords, Sandals. Values \$1.50 to \$2.50. Now \$1.00.

SCHOOL SHOES FOR BIG GIRLS.

Patent Kid Lace, hand sewed soles, Gun Metal Calf Button; low heels; all sizes. Regular \$3.50—now \$2.50.

Laird, Schober & Co., Wichert & Gardiner's Patent Kid Oxfords, hand turned soles, French heels. Regular \$5.00 and \$6.00—now \$3.50.

High grade Oxfords in all broken lines Patents, Gun Metal, Calf, Hand Sewed and Pumpa. Values \$3.50 to \$5.00—now \$2.50.

Patent Kid, turn soles. Lace—Wichert & Gardiner's—a fine dress shoe, with French heels. Regular \$6.00—now \$4.50.

Swell Patent Button (hand sewed), Brown Suede and London Smoke Tops. Regular \$6.00—now \$4.50.

Patent Oxfords in all broken lines, low heels, hand turned soles. Regular \$2.50—now \$2.00.

Small sizes in Children's Soufiers and Laird, Schober & Company's Button and Lace. See tables. Values to \$1.75—now \$1.00.

Andirons and Fire Sets 1/4 OFF

Flannel Department

"Novelty Waistings"—All wool in cream grounds; light and medium colorings; in neat stripes, plaids and woven effects. \$1.00 value at 75c yard.

"English Flannels"—Non-shrinkable and fast colors, stripes prevailing in shades of blues, pinks, tans, green, helio; an exceptional value. 31 in. width. \$1.00 value at 50c yard.

"German Velours"—Florals, Persians, etc., in light and medium colorings. 15c value at 10c yard.

"Outing Flannels"—Good heavy weight in a large assortment of fancy and staple designs. 10c yard.

SUIT DEPARTMENT

Final Clearance Sale

Every ready-to-wear garment reduced—either ONE-FOURTH, ONE-THIRD or ONE-HALF OFF. We do not except one garment, even though it came into our stock yesterday.

SUITS

New Winter Suits, plain tailored or fancy, just a few of the many reductions quoted.

Suits now \$25.00 formerly sold up to \$50.00
Suits now \$20.00 formerly sold up to \$40.00
Suits now \$15.00 formerly sold up to \$30.00
Suits—not new—for \$5 and \$10 sold up to \$75

COATS

Evening Coats, dressy Afternoon Coats, Street, Auto and Rain Coats for children, misses and ladies.

\$45.00 to \$25.00
\$37.50 to \$20.00
\$18.00 to \$10.00

DRESSES

GOWNS, SEPARATE SKIRTS and NEGLIGEE

—All subject to similar reductions.

The reduction NOW made will remain during our ENTIRE SALE, so we advise an early selection.

All Fur Coats, Velvet, Plush and Caracul ONE-HALF OFF

\$100.00 for \$50.00
\$60.00 for \$30.00
\$40.00 for \$20.00
\$30.00 for \$15.00

Silk Messaline Petticoats

An all-silk Messaline Petticoat in three different models and all the popular shades including black—\$4.00 value. Special \$3.25 net.

Toys Toys Toys

1-4 Off

Except those lines which are already reduced and arbitrary selling articles, such as Wheel Goods, Baseball, Football and Athletic Supplies.

Drug Department

Toilet Sundries, Brushes, Combs, Ebony Goods, Mirrors, etc. Reduced. 10 per cent.

Parisian Ivory Sets, Jewel Boxes, Novelty Ideas in this popular goods. Reduced. 10 per cent.

All Preparations are Net.

No discount on the restricted lines of Toilet Goods.

Leather Goods Dept.

Every Hand Bag Reduced.

Beaded Bags, Novelty Bags, Vienna Bags, Fine Seal Bags, Novelty Bead Purses. 25 per cent reduction.

All Leather Novelties in every new idea of this season. The most popular gifts for men and ladies. Reduced. 25 per cent.

Marabou and Imported Novelties

Beautiful Marabou Neckwear in all styles—Collars and Capes, Novelty Pieces for evening wear; the choicest imported Marabou Reduced. 25 per cent.

Imported Fans Metal Desk Novelties, Belts, Frames, Shaving Sets, Jewel Boxes, Soranto Wood Novelties. All reduced. 25 per cent.

Embroideries

Edgings, Insertions and Bands of fine nainsook embroidery, odds and ends and broken lines; regular values 20c to 35c each. All at 15c.

Men's Furnishing Department

In addition to our usual 10 per cent reduction on all Men's Furnishings (except Dr. Jaeger's Underwear, Dr. Deime's Linen Mesh Underwear), 25 per cent reduction on all.

Imported Silk Dressing Gowns.

Imported House Gowns.

Bath and Lounging Robes.

Smoking Jackets.

10 per cent off on Pajamas and Night Shirts.

10 per cent off on Men's Underwear.

10 per cent off on Men's Half Hose.

10 per cent off on Men's Sweater Coats.

10 per cent off on Men's Shirts.

Ribbon Department

All Ribbons, including fancy designs, plain Ribbons, novelty imported Velvet Ribbons, beautiful French Millinery Ribbons; all reduced.

Novelty Imported French Hair Ornaments; all new creations—Reduced 25 per cent.

Jewelry Department

EVERY PIECE OF JEWELRY REDUCED

Solid Gold Jewelry. Reduced 25 per cent.

Novelty Imported Jewelry. Reduced 25 per cent.

Novelty Hair Ornaments. Reduced 25 per cent.

Fine Mesh Bags and Vanities. Reduced 25 per cent.

Sterling Silver Tableware. Reduced 10 per cent.

Sterling Silver Toiletware. Reduced 10 per cent.

All Novelty Clocks. Reduced 10 per cent.

All other Novelty Jewelry and Trinkets Reduced.

China Artware and Bric-a-brac

Statuary, Bronzes and Bric-a-brac. One-quarter off.

Lamp, Gas or Electric, 20 per cent off.

Cut Glass, Open Stock Dinnerware and Glassware. 10 per cent off.

Many short lines and odds and ends in Dinnerware at reductions averaging from one-fourth to one-third.

Neckwear

Odds and ends left from the holiday trade.

Lace Collars, Side Ruffles, Bayadere and Gold Cords, Bows, Jabots; 50c to 75c values. 25c.

LADIES' CRAVATS IN COLORS. 50c, 75c and \$1.00 goods. 25c.

Fine Stationery

Large assortment of imported and domestic Boxed Paper; also good variety of novelties, including Desk Sets, Metal Novelties, for desk and office. Reduced 25 per cent.

Post Card Albums, in all sizes and covers. Reduced 25 per cent.

Fine Holiday Boxes of all size papers. Reduced 25 per cent.

Calendars, Novelty Cards and all Novelty Ideas in Papeteries. Reduced.

Umbrellas

Umbrellas at a Discount.

Everyone of our Umbrellas in all grades. The most reliable goods for men, women and children. Reduced 10 per cent.

Wash Goods Dept.

"Imported Printed Nets"—Dainty floral effects—borders and Persian designs—in white and tinted grounds for evening wear.

45 in. width, \$1.50 value at \$1.00 yd. 60 in. to 36 in. width, \$1.00 value, at 75c yd.

Drapery Department

CURTAINS, RUGS, DRAPERIES. LACE CURTAIN SPECIALS.

\$13.50 Scrim Curtains—Now \$10.00 per pair

\$15.00 Scrim Curtains—Now \$12.50 per pair

\$8.50 Scrim Curtains—Now \$5.50 per pair

\$10.50 Corded Arabian Curtains—Now \$7.50 per pair

\$10.00 Corded Arabian Curtains—Now \$6.00 per pair

\$13.50 Irish Point Curtains—Now \$9.00 per pair

\$10.50 Irish Point Curtains—Now \$6.00 per pair

\$8.50 Irish Point Curtains—Now \$5.50 per pair

\$5.50 Irish Point Curtains—Now \$3.00 per pair

\$4.25 Irish Point Curtains—Now \$2.50 per pair

\$16.00 Madras Curtains—Now \$9.00 per pair

\$13.50 Madras Curtains—Now \$7.50 per pair

CRETONNE SPECIALS.

40c Cretonne. Now 25c per yard

60c Cretonnes. Now 45c per yard

30c Cretonnes. Now 20c per yard

EXTRA SPECIAL VALUES IN OUR Dress Goods Section

AT 25c YARD—Half Wool Challies; cream grounds, with dainty floral designs; fifteen patterns—Former price 35c yard

AT 75c YARD—Double-fold Fancy French Plaids; pure silk and wool; beautiful bright colorings of reds, browns, greens and blues—Former price \$1.00 yard

AT 85c YARD—54-inch Fancy Striped Serge Suitings; excellent values; all new goods; new colorings of greens, browns and blues—Former price, \$1.25 yard

AT \$1.50 YARD—54-inch Priestley's Cravanette; best makers' goods; guaranteed rainproof and dustproof. Tans and black only—Former price, \$1.75 yard

Our BLACK DRESS GOODS DEPT. is showing excellent values in all the latest weaves, including the new Tusah Royals and Poplins, plain and brocades. All other well-known weaves from 50c yard up.

Special Reductions On All Holiday Goods.

Lace Reductions

BLACK ORIENTAL AND FANCY BANDS REDUCED

From \$1.25 to 75c. From \$6.00 to \$2.50

From \$2.25 to \$1.50. From \$1.40 to \$1.00

From \$3.00 to \$2.50.

VENICE, APPLIQUES, WHITE AND CREAM, REDUCED

From \$2.75 to \$1.50. From \$1.75 to \$1.25.

From \$2.25 to \$1.50. From \$1.50 to \$1.00.

From \$5.50 to \$4.00. From \$3.50 to \$2.50.

From 20c to 5c. From \$4.25 to \$2.25.

From 25c to 5c.

FANCY FRENCH LACES IN COLORS, REDUCED

From 50c to 25c. From \$1.00 to 50c.

VENICE MEDALLIONS, CREAM AND WHITE, REDUCED

From \$1.40 to \$1.25. From \$1.75 to \$1.25. From \$1.25 to 50c.

Handkerchief Reductions

Ladies' Handkerchiefs in Boxes, at the following reduced prices:

One-half dozen Sheer Handkerchiefs, with all around embroidery; small patterns from \$1.50 to \$1.25 per box

One-quarter dozen Pure Linen Handkerchiefs; one corner embroidered in Poinsettia, California Poppy and Pepper patterns, from \$1.00 to 75c per box

In Unlaundered Handkerchiefs, a few choice patterns in embroidered corner; good 50c linen at 35c

Initial Handkerchiefs, unlaundered; all linen; 150 dozen; to \$6 for 50c

Notion Department

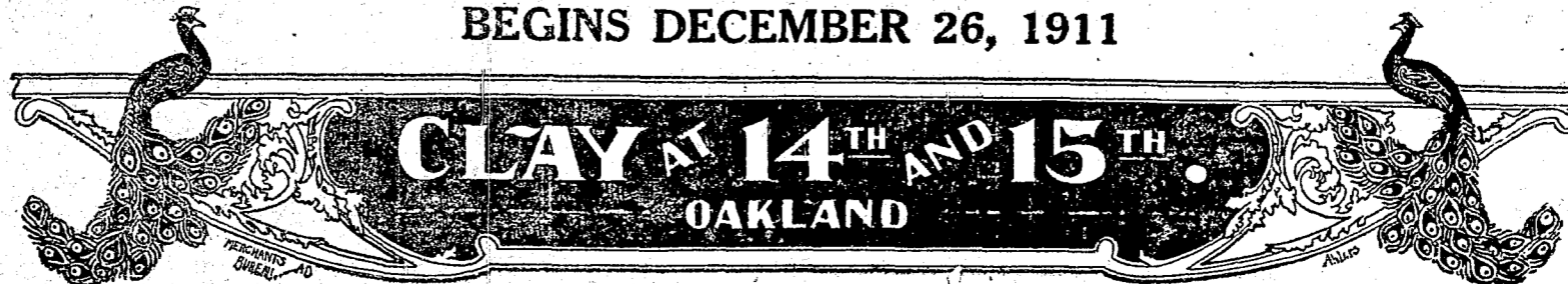
Entire line of fancy and staple Notions with the exception of Spool Cotton and certain contract goods, subject to the annual discount of 10 per cent.

Fancy Work Boxes and Novelties. Reduced 25 per cent

House Furnishings, Aluminum Ware, Enamel Ware and Tin Ware—Ten Per Cent Off

Universal Percolators and Specialties.

10% OFF



10% OFF

BEGINS DECEMBER 26, 1911

CLAY AT 14TH AND 15TH OAKLAND

HEART---TRIBUNE'S PAGE FOR WOMEN---HOME

SOCIETY

THE majority of Oaklanders will be dining en famille this evening and any number of house parties are being held in the bay towns. Jollity and good cheer is the prevailing spirit and the time-honored custom of the Christmas tree will be practiced all over the city tonight. Many preferred having their trees last evening, while others hung up their stockings in good old fashioned style, and the kiddies were made happy this morning in the joy of opening them.

Among the house parties are the Maxwell Tafts at Truckee, who have among their guests Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lindsay, Miss Edith Selby, Miss Christie Taft, Dr. Strong and Mr. Spahr. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ridsden Mead will entertain a family party at Byron.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Butters, who have just returned from abroad, have invited several of their friends to be their guests this evening, when they will give an elaborate dinner at "Rose Crest," their Claremont home. Those who will share the pleasure are Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Phelps, Mrs. E. L. Butters, Miss Lois Crosby, Miss Bessie Irving, Harry Boone, A. Gowen, George Gibson and Philip Boone. Mrs. Isaac Requa has planned a delightful time for her grandchildren and a large Christmas tree laden with gifts is to be the principal form of enjoyment for the little ones. Among the older people who will be entertained at "The Highlands" by Mrs. Requa are General and Mrs. Oscar Fitzhugh Long, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lawrence Requa, who returned recently from the East, and one or two others. Mrs. A. E. Greenough of Colorado is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Bishop, who will entertain a family party over the holiday. Among others who will entertain family parties are Mr. and Mrs. George Rodolph, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Layman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leach Sr., Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hall, Mrs. Elizabeth Chambers, Mrs. William H. Creed, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Chaffee Earl, Bench Carter Soule, Mr. and Mrs. William Louis Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Youngberg, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prussis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Eva, Mr. and Mrs. Roland G. Brown and hosts of others.

MUCH ANTICIPATED WEDDING.
Miss Dorothy Van Sicken's marriage to Dr. George W. Lyman on Tuesday night of this week will be a social event and is being eagerly anticipated. A wedding supper will be served the bridal party and close friends after the ceremony in the sumptuous red room of the Fairmont hotel.

The affair will be both beautiful and elaborate in every detail. Stunning gowns will be worn by the guests, among whom are prominent society folks from both sides of the bay. St. Luke's Church will be crowded with the many friends of both young people.

Dr. Lyman will take his bride to Europe on his honeymoon.

Among those who will be present at the wedding supper are the Misses Marion Zelle, Lillian Van Vorst, Anna Olney, Elva de Pue, Agnes Tillmann, Hilda Van Sicken, Doris Wiltshire, Marian Marvin, Emily Johnson and Marian Stone and Frank King, Roy Ryono, Dan Coogan, Jack George, Dan Volkman, George Will-

cutt, Arthur Fennimore, Herbert Gallagher, Herbert Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralston White and Mrs. Harris Ralston. The latter is a charming matron of New Orleans, who has many friends on the coast.

VISITING HERE.
Mrs. John D. Brittain of Pittsburg is visiting her sons, Warner B. Brittain of Berkeley and J. Selwyn Brittain of this city. Later on Mr. Brittain will join her. The wedding of Miss Roberta Gould and Warner Brittain will be celebrated some time in the early spring.

TO GIVE DINNER.
Mr. and Mrs. George Shreve have sent out invitations for January 4, when they have asked a dozen friends to their Alameda home for a dinner.

TO GO EAST.
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Walsh and Mrs. Maurice Walsh plan to leave this week for the East on a pleasure trip.

LARGE CLUB DINNER.
The Home Club is to hold its annual Christmas dinner this Thursday. Assisting in the receiving line will be Mrs. Granville Shuey, John Howell, Mrs. Geo. B. M. Gray, Mrs. Harry P. Carlton, Miss Ethel Johnson, Mrs. Charles Cornell, Mrs.

Joseph Keep, Mrs. W. W. Crane, Mrs. Glenn Barnhart, Mrs. Charles Heisen, Mrs. William H. Chickering, Mrs. G. E. Brickerhoff and Mrs. Frank M. Hurd.

Following the dinner and program there will be an informal dance in the ballroom.

AT WALDORF-ASTORIA.
The Frank Proctors and Mrs. Macdermott will remain at the Waldorf-Astoria until after the holidays. They are en route from Europe and will be warmly welcomed here upon their return.

DINNER AND BRIDGE.
Mrs. Charles Youngberg will entertain at bridge and supper at her home in Linda Vista Terrace on Tuesday, December 26. The guests will include a score of the younger matrons.

SONG RECITAL.
Mrs. Frank J. Woodward, Miss Anna Head, Mrs. Samuel Morse and a few other prominent women of Berkeley and Alameda are to extend the hospitality of their homes for a series of song recitals to be given next month by Frederick W. Bancroft, the well known Boston singer, whose interpretation of Scotch, Irish and other dialect songs has won for him a name throughout the East. The first song recital will be given in the handsome new home of Miss Head in Clare-



MRS. IRVING ALLEN, who before her marriage yesterday was Miss Sallie Blanchard of Alameda.

mont on January 6, when the theme of the evening will be Irish songs and song writers. A descriptive talk by Mr. Bancroft will precede the music. At Mrs. Woodward's home Scotch songs and a talk descriptive of Scotland and its songs and composers will constitute the evening's entertainment.

On January 3 Bancroft will sing at the home of Mrs. Morse in Alameda. He studied in Rome for several years and is considered a singer of exceptional charm. He plans a tour of California and will give concerts in larger cities of the State.

TO BE DINNER HOSTESS.
Miss Anna Kessler will entertain at dinner on December 29, preceding the Junior Assembly. The dance, as usual, will be attended by a large number of the young people.

JOVIALITIES ASSEMBLY.
The Jovialities Assembly will give their next dance on January 17, 1912, at Maple Hall. The club has been organized for the last two years and their dances have always been a great success.

THREE WEDDINGS WEDNESDAY.
Miss Gladys Ostrander and Harvey Ghirardelli will solemnize their marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Judge and Mrs. F. G. Ostrander, Wednesday of this week. Both are graduates of the State University and their marriage is the outcome of a college romance. Ghirardelli is the son of the late Louis Ghirardelli. Miss Ostrander has taken an important part in college activities and is affiliated with several societies, one of which is the Alpha Phi Sorority. She is a sister of Mrs. R. Cameron, now a resident of Round Mountain, Nev., and is attractive and clever.

Two other weddings will take place on Wednesday. Miss Beatrice Needham and George N. Edwards will plight their troth in Sacramento. Miss Needham is the daughter of the late Rev. Arnold T. Needham of this city, and has a wide friendship circle here and in the surrounding bay towns.

Miss Lillian May Freeman is another bride whose wedding with George Frederick Holbrook is scheduled for Wednesday. The ceremony will be solemnized at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Lillian R. Hudson in Berkeley. Holbrook was graduated from the college of mining at the Ohio university and is a member of a well known Yreka family.

OAKLANDERS IN NEW YORK.
New York has been the gathering place for many Oaklanders in the holiday season. Among them are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Havens and Miss Alice Edwards. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Williams is also on the Atlantic coast for Christmas. Mrs. C. F. Macdermott with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Proctor are remaining in New York for the winter. Mrs. C. C. Clay has planned to continue her visit with her daughter, Mrs. Crawford, over the holidays. After a brief sojourn in New York Mrs. William G. Henshaw and Miss Alice Grayes sailed for Europe, joining Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chickering and Miss Florence Henshaw for Christmas on the continent. Mr. and Mrs. Edison Adams will be in New York for the coming fortnight.

TO SET WEDDING DATE.
The date of Miss Mary E. Henry's marriage to Gerald H. Hutton, a prominent mining engineer, will be set after the arrival from Paris of her sister, Miss Alice Henry, who will be the maid of honor at the ceremony, which will take place at the Unitarian church here. Miss Alice Henry has been visiting another sister, Mrs. Evelyn Henry Stoppani at Paris.

HOUSE WARMING.
A house warming will be held the evening of December 30 at the new clubhouse of the Claremont club, recently organized by residents of the Claremont district. The new building, costing \$10,000, was erected with funds subscribed by the members. The club will be to the east section of Berkeley and environs what the Hillside club is to North Berkeley, supplying a social center and providing for artistic presentations occasionally.

There will be a reception until 10:30 o'clock, after which there will be dancing.

IN PETALUMA.
Mr. and Mrs. George P. McNear and Miss Ernestine McNear are spending the holidays at Petaluma. Before leaving they gave a dinner on Friday night at the Fairmont, entertaining a dozen friends of the latter.

APOSTOLIC DELEGATES CONFERENCE SUBJECT.
ROME, Dec. 25.—The papal secretary of state, Cardinal Merry del Val, conferred yesterday with Cardinal Falconio concerning the appointment of apostolic delegates at Washington and Manila, these posts having been made vacant by the elevation of Mgr. Falconio and the death of Mgr. Agius.

Among those most prominently mentioned for the post at Washington are Mgr. Stagni, apostolic delegate to Canada, and Mgr. Aversa, apostolic delegate to Cuba and Brazil.

It may be decided, however, to appoint one who has not yet served in any of the apostolic delegations. In that event either Mgr. Laurenti, secretary of the congregation of the propaganda, or Mgr. Bonzano, rector of the propaganda college, may receive the appointment.

DEPOSED PORTUGUESE ROYALTY SEEKS JEWELS.
LISBON, Dec. 25.—The Portuguese government has declared its intention of selling the jewels and other valuables which have been found in the royal palaces, including Prince Miguel's jewels, which alone are valued at \$2,500,000.

The deposed royal family has presented a claim, stating that with the exception of the crowns, the remainder of the valuables, consisting of bracelets, necklaces, belts and jeweled arms are the private property of King Manuel and Queen Amalia.

OFFERED QUARTERS.
MILL VALLEY, Dec. 25.—The embryo "Busters" of Mill Valley, an organization that is being planned for the purpose of advertising the town and drawing population in advance of the coming to San Francisco of exposition sight-seers in 1915, has been offered quarters in the Keystone block by John Rea, the proprietor. Several meetings have been held and the project is well under way. It is planned to subscribe a fund for the purpose of printing and spreading broadcast over the country circulars and postcards depicting the town and locality.

Christian Charity a Beautifier

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By LILLIAN RUSSELL



HAVE been asked: "Why is it that women cannot be honest to their sex?" It is because they forget the golden rule and let petty jealousy enter where thoughts of appreciation only should exist. We have many beautiful women broad enough to reach out an honest hand to other women. Women are helping each other more every day. The jealous woman is the unfortunately prejudiced, narrow-minded one who does not read with intelligence or think for herself.

In these days of wage-earners women should stand together and they are doing this more every year. Money and social position should not make the least difference in friendship between women. Fashions in dress should not overpower fashions in books or conversation; men and women should compete in evolving ideas for culture.

An article in St. Paul's Magazine, London, says: "The part which beauty played in the middle ages was a very real one. Woman, whose loveliness so swayed man, was at one time treated with divine honors, mistress as she was of the chief, civilizing influence of the times. Books being few and secular education nearly confined to woman, her mere knowledge gave her almost unlimited power over her rude, warlike breadwinner."

"Whilst he could only fight in battle or wring treasures by force from the traveler crossing his domain she could often write or read a letter. While he could but teach the young hands to war and the fingers to fight, to manage a fierce horse or to bring down the quarry, the whole mental and moral training of the children and of the household were in her hands. She could instruct them in the mysteries of their faith, the duties of their position, and teach them the hundred arts and occupations which engrossed the time of women when shops were not."

"Knowledge is power; beauty and knowledge combined are well nigh all powerful, both belong to woman, and she was, for good or evil, the incentive to action, the prize in the tourney, the leech who cured the sick and tended the wounded, the ruler of the servants and the keeper of the castle keys. She it was who, pointing to courage and courtesy as the price of her grace, diffused courage and courtesy throughout the land. She it was who fixed the tone of morals and excellence in the court in which she reigned as queen." And she it is (though books and education have come her master's way at last) who still possesses a vast power for good or ill, a power of which her beauty in the abstract is the pivot and corner stone."

At the present day, I am sorry to say, affairs are reversed and man governs, though women have great influence, but only by love and companionship can a man be fully persuaded. In the last analysis beauty of nature overpowers beauty of face and form, therefore it is most necessary for women to work together for the common good of the world. Every personal viewpoint is different, but put yourself in her place before passing an unfavorable verdict upon another woman and your hearts will meet in sympathy. Remember, there is more beauty found in charity than any other motive.

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GRACE: To keep the hair light it should be washed at least every two weeks and once a month add a tablespoonful of peroxide of hydrogen to the last rinsing water. When washing the hair be sure and rinse all the soap out of it, for if it is allowed to remain it will surely spoil the golden glints so much desired by the blonde girl. I am sending you an excellent shampoo for blonde hair.

DISTRESSED WOMAN:—There is nothing in the green soap formula for white hair that should make your hair come out. The tincture of green soap, cologne, and one egg are all beneficial for the hair, and have been used by many of my gray haired friends for years. I cannot understand why your hair is coming out. There is certainly some other reason than the shampoo.

DISMAYED:—Do not try to steam your face, as that has a tendency to make it dryer than ever. After using the remedy for making the face smaller, if you find it too drying, use a good flesh food. I shall send you the formula for one if you will send me a stamped addressed envelop asking me for it.

SLAYER IS ACQUITTED BY MARRIED MEN JURY

OGDEN, Utah, Dec. 25.—Henry Southworth was acquitted of the murder of P. L. Hanks at an amusement park in this city August 12 last, and he is at his home in Farmington with his mother and children. The jury, composed of married men, spent three hours in their deliberations and took one ballot.

An effort was made by District Attorney E. T. Hulaniski to have Southworth held pending an examination as to his sanity. Judge Harris ruled that he could not pass upon the matter at this time and the attorney stated that he would take the necessary action to have the examination made within a few days.

Hanks, who was manager of a band playing in the park, was shot to death while walking with Mrs. Southworth. Southworth's defense was temporary insanity and the plea that Hanks had broken up his home, or what is known in some states as the "unwritten law," but which in Utah is written law.

1600 VOTERS ACCUSED OF SELLING FRANCHISE

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 25.—Sixteen hundred voters in Dickinson county face indictment for vote-selling.

Over 300 have already been indicted in the county and when the grand jury reconvenes after the holidays it is expected that several hundred more indictments will be found.

The men who sold their votes will be given the option of confessing, paying small fines and forfeiting their ship, or going to prison.

HUMILITY NECESSARY, DECLARES ROOSEVELT

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Dec. 25.—"I don't care how big a man may be—he is but only a comparison with the mass of men who must work with him to bring any real success," said Colonel Roosevelt last night, speaking before his fellow townsmen at Christmas service at the Protestant Episcopal church. "The big man must learn humility if he is to do his work well," he continued. "If he does not realize how small he is in comparison with other men and women, he will not help make world good. We must have the 'great man' in the right place, but the work of any leader sinks into insignificance compared with the work of the average citizen."

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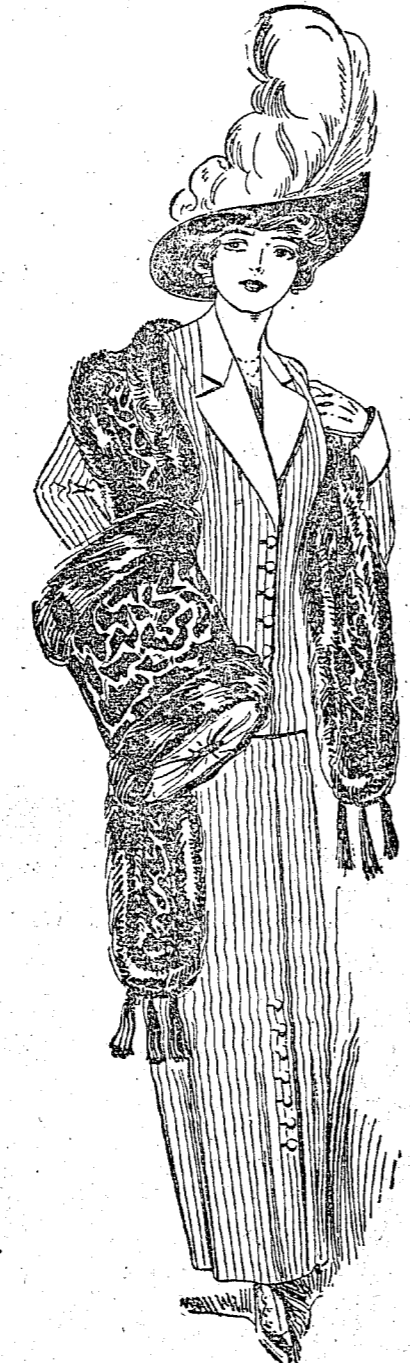
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CITY JAIL RINGS WITH CHRISTMAS MERRIMENT

TURKEY AND 'FIXINGS' SERVED

Young Socialist Responsible for Joy in Life of Many Prisoners.

Captain Petersen's Cigars Enjoyed While Entertainment Goes On.

Gray and black prison walls which had echoed with the groans of the drunkard and the thief, and from which the reek of disinfectant rose even to the court rooms and council chambers above in the city hall, formed the background for a strange scene of merriment this afternoon in the Oakland city prison. The walls, recently painted in imitation of the deck of a United States battleship, were decorated for action, with green, holly and red berries. In the old jail, which forms the headquarters for the chain gang, numbering about 40, and in other parts of the prison, the individual cells, the women's quarters and the detention department, the prisoners all sat down to turkey and cranberry sauce, mince pies and oranges and nuts, this afternoon.

For the second time in sixteen years, the prisoners in the Oakland city jail were today treated to a Christmas dinner, the provisions and money for which were subscribed by a number of donors at the instance of Max W. Stern, a young Socialist journalist and settlement worker. The turkey and other viands were enjoyed by the inmates of the prison in their various sections of the jail, while in the large room of the chain gang an impromptu program of song and story and recitation was arranged by the prisoners.

30 TAKEN IN NIGHT.
When it became known that a turkey dinner was to be served in the Oakland city prison, tramps and hoboes made it a point of honor to enjoy their Christmas eve celebration in Oakland. As a consequence, 30 drunks were taken into custody over night, swelling the number within the city prison from about 60 to 100.

Disappointment was in store for these revellers and prospective diners, however, as provision had been made only for the "regular lodgers." Shortly before noon, Judges Mortimer Smith and George Samuels were requested to order the release of the drunks on their own recognizance, and a sorrowful army of devils of Bacchus fled from the jail with many regretful backward glances to catch the odor of roasting turkey.

Preparation had been under way for some days for the feast, and young Stern has been engaged in soliciting subscriptions and provisions for the prisoners. Christmas Pies were donated by some, fruit by others, cranberries by one merchant, and vegetables by the Salvation Army.

That the after-dinner addresses might be enjoyed in peace and quietude of spirit, Captain of Inspectors Walter J. Petersen donated a large box of good cigars, and these were smoked by the prisoners while they listened to their companions telling tales of adventure, and discoursing on the reformation of society.

STERN IS CHEERED.
Max Stern, the chief donor of the feast, was introduced to the prisoners by Captain J. F. Lynch, and was given three long cheers by his guests. Jailer Frank Ahern assisted in making the request a pleasant one by allowing the prisoners to remain about the festive board longer than usual, and by permitting a certain amount of liberty to mark the occasion.

Of the 60 "regular boarders" in the jail, only three women occupy the women's quarters. In the past it has been the usual thing to have 15 to 20 women inmates, but the list has been depleted by the new edition of sending persistent users of drugs and intoxicants to the state asylum, on the authority of recently passed legislation. The women's quarters were more lavishly decorated for the occasion.

The shrubs and holly were provided by George Constantine, who brought a wagon-load of Christmas trees to the jail, and assisted in the decorating. Following the dinner religious services were held in the prison by various societies.

DONORS OF FEAST.
The donors of the feast were: Plymouth Congregational church, A. W. Palmer, pastor, \$5.
Probation office employees, \$5.
Niece Institute, \$5.
Max Stern, \$5.
Washington Market, \$5.
S. Angel, two boxes of oranges.
Oakland Cream Depot, supplies.
Mrs. Mary White, 15 mince pies.
Captain Walter J. Petersen, box of cigars.

Others were: Mrs. Elmer Carlisle, Mrs. Dr. Winfield, Miss C. Casey, Dr. Mary Plumb, Miss Elmer Stoy, Mrs. C. H. Boynton, Miss M. Adams and Tim Dorgan.

THOUSANDS WATCH AEROPLANES IN SHORT FLIGHTS AT THE MOTORDROME
CHAMPION JOE WOLTERS HURLED FROM HIS SPEEDING MOTORCYCLE YESTERDAY.

Crowd "rubber-necking" at Weldon B. Cooke during his flight at the Motordrome yesterday afternoon. Below is a group of officials who conducted the meet. Left to right they are: Manager Max Friedman, Referee Frank E. Carroll, Assistant Manager, Leon Friedman and Starter W. P. Dunn.

Five thousand people attended the automobile races at the Motordrome yesterday. They were treated to an afternoon of rare sport. Only one accident marred the otherwise successful meet. Champion Joe Wolters, the motorcycle rider, took a tumble from his machine while going at a speed considerably less than a mile a minute. He skidded over the saucer for a distance of several hundred feet, the pedal of E. Armstrong's motorcycle having caught his clothing. Beyond picking up a few ounces of splinters the Chicago boy was not severely injured.

With a chilly north wind sweeping across the arena the crowd had some difficulty in keeping warm, but notwithstanding this they enjoyed to the utmost the various events, all of which were run off without delay. Cheer after cheer met the riders as they rounded the half-mile track in front of the grandstand. High above, both Weldon B. Cooke and Didier Masson soared in their aeroplanes. On account of the cold neither of them remained in the air for long flights. Masson went up first and remained for less than ten minutes.

Today the program is being repeated with a number of added features, including the flight of Didier Masson, accompanied by Miss Hazel Gotting, a "Ginger Girl" now appearing at the Columbia theater. It had been planned yesterday that Masson should take up a moving picture machine, but the atmosphere was too chilly for the operator and the flight had to be abandoned.

FIGHT IT OUT.
With Wolters out of the motorcycle contests Ward, Seymour and Armstrong were left to fight it out for first honors. The summary of these events shows how they fared:

Motorcycle events:
Three-mile professional, first heat—Won by Wolters (Excelsior), Armstrong (Excelsior) second, Albright (Indian) third. Time, 2:06 1-5.
Three-mile professional, second heat—Won by Seymour (Indian), Ward (Indian) second, T. Samuelson (Indian) third. Time, 2:13 3-5.
Six-mile professional, final—Won by Ward (Indian), Armstrong (Excelsior) second, Albright (Indian) third. Time, 4:11 4-5.
Five-mile amateur handicap, stripped stock—Won by Walker (Indian), Lorenson (Indian) second, Kohl (Indian) third. In the final of the professional race Ward shot out into the lead and none of the other riders was able to overtake him. In the second and third laps Seymour pressed him hard, but failed to catch him and had to retire because of valve trouble. Armstrong then took up the

burden, but the Indian rider had the speed over the Excelsior man and finished first by a good margin. Armstrong took second place and third fell to Albright. The ten-mile free-for-all proved the sensational race of the day, and appeared to be anyone's race until Armstrong crossed the wire first by a narrow margin over Balke, who was an easy second.

THREE AUTO RACES.
There were three automobile races of five miles each, and they resulted in two victories for Early Cooper, who was at the wheel of a four-cylinder Comet. Early Deveau, who piloted a little Buick, won the other event. The Maxwell car driven by Emil Agraz showed considerable speed, and while in two of the events it crossed the wire first it failed to make up the 20 seconds handicap that Agraz felt he could give both Cooper and Deveau.

The results were:
Five-mile race—Won by Comet (Cooper), Buick (Deveau) second, Maxwell (Agraz) third. Time, 5:12 2-3.
Five-mile handicap—Won by Buick (Deveau), Maxwell (Agraz) second. Time, 4:45 4-5.
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DAYLIGHT SALOON LAW DRAWN UP

Tentative Ordinance Adopted as Basis for Proposed Los Angeles Legislation.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 25.—A tentative daylight saloon ordinance, the basis of one which the "dry" forces of the city hope to present to the voters at an election next spring, was adopted yesterday at a gospel prohibition meeting. According to the terms of the ordinance liquor in wholesale or retail quantities must not be sold between the hours of 6 p. m. and 8 p. m. Permission may be granted by the police commission to serve liquor with meals at the usual meal hours. By the terms of the law drafted yesterday the penalty for violation is annulment of the dealer's license. Imprisonment for six months, a fine of \$500, or both, is the punishment designed for lessees or owners permitting their premises to be used in violation of the law.

FAMILY SAFE, CROWD HEARS HE FEEDS THE OPEN AIR HUNGRY CONCERT

Greening's Wife and Children Escape From Russia Unharmed.

News Imbues Him With Christmas Spirit and He Spreads Cheer.

DETROIT, Dec. 25.—A man with a strong foreign accent inquired several times yesterday at the telegraph office in a local hotel if a message had come for him. "J. S. Greening is my name," he told the operator. As he sat in a chair in the hotel office a page called "Mr. Greening." The man jumped to his feet and seized a telegram from the boy's hand. An instant's glance acquainted him with its contents. He buried his face in his hands.

"My children, my little ones, are safe!" he muttered in German. Suddenly straightening himself he walked to the clerk and said: "I want to make as many people happy as possible today. I have just had a great happiness and I want to share it. I am an orthodox Jew and Christmas means nothing to me, but it does to many, and I am glad my happiness came at this time."

SEEKS HUNGRY MEN.
"I shall walk out into the streets, find a dozen men who look hungry and send them in here to be fed." Later he returned and with him were a dozen men who looked as if they were out of luck.

A private dining room was provided for the party and the meal the men got was the best the hotel could provide.

Greening explained that he had feared the Russians, being aggrieved with the attitude the United States would take towards Jewish passports, would be infuriated and massacre the Jews in Russia.

"I sent money to my wife and children to leave for the United States immediately," he said, "and this telegram told me they had crossed the German frontier and were safe." Greening's home is in New York.

Dies After Quarter Century With A. P.
Dean of New York State Night Wire Receives Last "Thirty" Yesterday Morning.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Frank E. Fitzgibbon, dean of the operators on the Associated Press night New York state wire, died yesterday, aged 49. On November 10 he completed twenty-five years of continuous service. He received his last "thirty" Sunday morning and was found dead in bed a few hours later.

He had arranged to spend Christmas "off duty" this year for the first time in twenty-five years.

ACCUSED MAN JAILED.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Robert Yorkowitch, wanted for felony embezzlement in Placer county, was arrested here by the local police this morning.

World's Greatest Artists Sing and Play for San Francisco's People.

Spirit of West Exemplified in Great Gathering Beneath Stars.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Under the starlit sky for three hours last night a crowd which packed the streets at the junction of Market, Kearny, Geary and Third stood and listened to the second Christmas eve open air concert. Every balcony and window held a group of enthusiastic spectators, while the world contributed its best music, among its artists being M. Affre, tenor, and Mme. Chantebellon of the Paris grand opera company, together with the chorus of the company, which opened the program. Jan Kubelik, the great master of the impressionable violin, of Bohemia; David Bispham, whose two songs, "Ring Out, Wild Bells," and "Danny Deever," were solos that thrilled the crowd, and the Mountain Ash male chorus of Wales of the highest quality of singers that Great Britain sends forth. San Francisco was represented by its German citizens, members of the Pacific Seagerbund; by the vested choir of the Cathedral Mission of the Good Samaritan and the Columbia Park Boys' Club.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.
The spirit of Christmas pervaded the crowd and in the closing chant, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," the voices of the audience were added to swell the chorus, making one of the most impressive effects ever witnessed in the city. The greater part of the music was sacred, and was received in a reverent spirit, evinced by breathless silence during the number followed by tumultuous applause.

The first number was "Mme. Chantebellon, soprano of the Paris grand opera, in an aria from 'Romeo and Juliet.' Next came the singers from the cathedral mission bearing their golden cross in the fore and led by Miss Emma Berge in a Christmas carol.

Then was heard Jan Kubelik, the Bohemian violinist, who delighted Oaklanders at his recent concert here. He played Schubert-Witbelin's "Ave Maria" and was cheered by 30,000 spectators.

The boys of the Columbia Park school next sang a Christmas carol, followed by David Bispham, whose beautiful baritone voice was heard in Tennyson's "Ring Out, Wild Bells," set to music by Gounod.

The crowd cheered madly as were given "Danny Deever" as an encore. The Mountain Ash male chorus came next with Handel's famous and profound Hallelujah chorus from the "Messiah." Bispham, standing by, joined in with the singers, a volunteer of great worth. Welshmen's splendid ensemble caught the crowd. For an encore they sang the great Welsh war song, "Men of Harlech," with a spirit, a martial movement, that none but Welshmen could give.

Then came the closing hymn, "Adeste Fideles," with the best choral singers on top of the world singing under the stars of San Francisco on the anniversary eve of the appearance of the mysterious star of Bethlehem.

The hush of the streets was broken again by more applause, and on all sides was expressed delight at the pleasure enjoyed.

To all who witnessed the scene it will remain a wonderful and inspiring memory, revealing the typical San Francisco spirit to the country and making the occasion one to be remembered in the annals of California as an irremissible memory.

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1,000,000 GALLONS OF MOLASSES IN STREETS
BOSTON, Dec. 25.—More than 1,000,000 gallons of molasses ran two feet deep through the streets yesterday when the plant of the Boston Molasses company in South Boston, the largest molasses plant in the world was damaged by fire to the extent of \$250,000.
Great streams of molasses poured over the wharves into the fias and turned the water to a dirty brown mass, which was immediately pumped back into the burning buildings by fire boats.
One hundred firemen, including District Chief Grady, had a narrow escape from death when a steel stack 150 feet high melted at the base and toppled over on a brick wall, around which the men were working. District Chief Tabor and three firemen were slightly injured by falls.

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Many residents remain up until that hour or arose to hear the chorists as they passed through the principal residence districts, singing old-time carols. The singers were members of St. Mark's choir and were under the direction of Roscoe Warren Lucy, organist and choir director. They rode in a large bus, which stopped at the Hillcrest apartments at 3:30 for the serving of breakfast to the carolers.

The members of the party were Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. Agnes Richter, Mrs. Lottie Miller, Mrs. H. D. Jones, Mrs. Roscoe Warren Lucy, Misses Eva Woodson, Lollita Charles, Mildred Herrmann, Evelyn Hall, Sydney Braden, Elizabeth Gibbs, Gertrude Ward and Marion Jones; Messrs. Paul Jones, H. D. Jones, Arthur Jory, Stafford Jory, Oliver Haultch, Charles Jones, Dean Terry, Harold McDougald, Clarence Stults and Roscoe Warren Lucy.

The chorists returned to the church at 6 o'clock to take part in the Christmas choral communion service.

At 11 o'clock the vested choir gave the service in St. Mark's Church. The music was rendered by the vested choir of forty and a quartet composed of Miss Ora Hechell, soprano; Mrs. Gretchen Ayers, contralto; Whitney Palache, tenor; Herman Hiller, basso; Miss Alice Paine, soprano soloist.

IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

While Christmas services were held in most of the churches yesterday, there were special musical programs and masses in the Catholic and Episcopal churches this morning.

At St. Joseph's Catholic church the usual splendor and solemnity were noticeable in the services. The interior of the large auditorium and sanctuary had been elaborately decorated and rich gold and silk vestments recently procured from Europe were worn by the officiating clergy. The full ceremonial of the most solemn festival of the church was carried out.

The first mass was at 5 o'clock, when a special choir sang the usual Christmas hymns. Masses were celebrated every hour between 5 and 11 o'clock, when the grand mass was sung, with the Rev. Father Holahan as celebrant, Dr. E. J. Merion, the pastor, at the altar, and Rev. Father Ryan as subdeacon. Edward Condon was master of ceremonies. Dr. Morrison delivered the sermon.

The music consisted of Von Bree's mass in E-flat and was rendered by a specially selected choir under the direction of Miss Margaret Cain, organist, and Joseph Berong, choir director. In the choir were Misses Marie Bardet, Miss Laura Colburn, Miss Louise Streub, Thera Hamilton, Marie Grant, Margaret Grant, Mrs. E. B. Irving, E. V. McGinty, Joseph Berong and E. Curran.

"Adeste Fideles" was sung as a prelude by Miss Colburn and E. Curran, and "Noel" was sung as an offertory by Miss Bardet and the full chorus. Benediction followed the grand mass, with E. V. McGinty as soloist of the benediction hymns.

Masses were celebrated in Newman hall today at 7:30, 8 and 10:30 a. m. At 10:30 Roscoe Warren Lucy, organist, and the full chorus, "Nativity" (Gounod), a bass solo by Walton C. Webb, comprised the musical program.

The members of Newman club, the Catholic organization of the University

MISS JOSEPHINE BURKE IS
CHRISTMAS EVE BRIDE

MRS. JOSEPH WILSON of Alameda, who was a bride of Christmas eve.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—At a pretty home wedding last night Miss Josephine Burke became the bride of Joseph Wilson, the event taking place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. Burke, 775 Santa Clara avenue, an Oakland jurist performing the ceremony.

The bride was attended by Miss Ethel Green as maid of honor and the bridegroom was supported by Edward Kelly. The bride was gowned in white silk cloth over white silk. The maid of honor

was pale blue messaline. The home was decorated with Christmas berries and garlands of holiday greenery.

The bride is a petite, winsome blonde and a popular member of an Alameda social set. Her engagement days were marked with numerous attentions from her many friends.

Wilson is a member of the Webster street business firm of Wilson & Lovejoy. He and his bride are to make their home in this city.

CANTATAS MARK THE
CHRISTMAS SEASON

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—Several cantatas and Christmas trees mark the Christmas season in Alameda church circles. The First Presbyterian church Sunday school will give tomorrow night the cantata "The Courtship of Mother Goose."

A Christmas cantata, with a tree and a Santa Claus, will be given for the children by the Baptist Bible school on Thursday evening, December 28. The children of Christ Episcopal church had a tree and held their annual carol service last night. The First Congregational church Sunday school will have a tree and entertainment in the church parlors Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The children of the Home of Truth held their Christmas exercises last Thursday night.

WEST ALAMEDA NINE
MEET DIAMOND DEFEAT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—In a fast game the Turkey Reds defeated the West Alameda nine on the General Hospital grounds at the Presidio yesterday. Robinson, the Indian third-baseman, was the feature of the game through his excellent hitting. The Turkey Red player made two home runs and a two-bagger out of four times at bat. Following is the score:

Clubs..... R. H. E.
Turkey Reds..... 15 12 5
West Alameda..... 8 10 1
Batteries—Shelton and Sund; Scanlon, Allen and Millard.

BOWEN FUNERAL SERVICES.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—Funeral services for the late Mrs. Frances Blanding Bowen were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Bowen home at 2235 Central avenue. The services were conducted by the Rev. Everett W. Cooper, rector of Christ Episcopal church.

ACCUSE MAN OF
HAVING BAD CHECKC. K. Dalgain Faces Charge of
Attempting to Pass Worth-
less Paper.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—For attempting to pass an alleged worthless check, C. K. Dalgain of 474 Central avenue, is in jail here today, and the police are investigating a report that may land an accomplice with him. According to the information given out at police headquarters, Dalgain entered the Bank of America and presented a draft to W. L. Batterby, the bar-tender. The draft, it is alleged, was cashed by Batterby, but the freshness of the ink aroused the suspicion of the bartender and a call was put in to the police. Dalgain is alleged to have solicited the aid of a young woman in purchasing the blank draft at a stationery store.

MISS GOULD AND JOHN D.
DISTRIBUTE GOLD PIECES

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 25.—J. D. Rockefeller and Miss Helen M. Gould played the part of Santa Claus. When the employees at that railroad station and the telephone offices went to work today they found shining gold pieces awaiting them with the season's greetings. Rockefeller distributed his gold through his secretary, who left it for each employee with his best wishes for a merry Christmas.

Rockefeller came up from the city bringing the coin with him in his automobile. He has been dividing his time between Pocantico Hill and New York since Mrs. Rockefeller returned to the city about three weeks ago. Rockefeller also remembered the hands on his place at Pocantico Hill.

Miss Gould sent the gold pieces out to her superintendent, who distributed them. The chief telephone operators in the Irvington and Tarrytown exchanges received \$10 gold pieces and the rest of the girls received \$5 gold pieces. The employees at both Tarrytown and Irvington stations were also remembered.

MANCHURIAN REVOLT
SUPPRESSED BY JAPAN

HARBIN, Dec. 25.—The Amban or Chinese representative, who was driven out of Urga, the capital of Mongolia, when autonomy was declared some weeks ago, has reached Manchuria. He will have to be conducted to Peking. The Amban is accompanied by the Manchuria Prince Kung, whose influence, it is understood, is being used by the Manchus in their efforts to nullify the influence of the exiled Dalai Lama of Tibet and of foreigners in Mongolia, and to bring about the restoration of the Mongol royalty.

There is belief here that Japan is interested along with the imperial government in Peking in the suppression of the revolution in Manchuria. General Chao Erh-Hun, Viceroy of Manchuria, ordered the secret execution of sixty suspected revolutionists last Saturday at Nikolai.

CHRISTMAS VISIT TO
CONVICTS IS POSTPONED

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 25.—Governor Oswald West's promised Christmas visit to the convict camp at Crater Lake, where roads are being built by prisoners under parole, has again been postponed. Pressing state business has caused the governor to defer his visit until some time early in January.

WORSHIPERS CROWD
ALAMEDA CHURCHES

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—Worshippers crowded the Alameda churches yesterday to take part in the Christmas services. The special services of St. Joseph's Catholic church, Christ Episcopal church and the German Lutheran church were held today, the other churches holding their services Sunday.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—Silas Hinkle Reid, of Chicago, former judge of the third district of Alaska, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Lee Reid. The body was taken to Duquoin, Ill., where he was born, for burial.

RAYS ARE PRESENTED
WITH BIG LOVING CUP

Last night's audience at the Orpheum was let in on a new act not on the regular program, but one quite in keeping with Christmas eve, when it assisted by its presence in making the presentation of a beautiful silver loving cup to the Rays a feature occasion. The cup was a gift to the popular funmakers by Mr. and Mrs. McGreevy and was presented in appreciation of the kindness of the Rays.

Mrs. Ray particularly, who substituted for the McGreevys act when Mrs. McGreevy was ill and unable to appear in San Francisco two weeks ago.

The presentation was a complete surprise to the Rays and was made at the conclusion of their act by Gardner Crane, also on the bill this week. The cup was brought down the aisle of the theater, filled with flowers, and was passed over the footlights by Crane with a few appropriate words, expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the McGreevys. Johnny Ray was the recipient of the cup, and when he had removed his wig made a little speech of acceptance and thanks.

FORMER ALASKAN JURIST
DIES IN ST. LOUIS

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AUTO VICTIM LEFT
LYING IN STREETSuperintendent of Alameda
Park Abandoned by
Speed Maniac.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—Struck down and run over by an automobile while on his way home last night, John Gutleben, superintendent of Lincoln Park, was left lying in the roadway until discovered by Ben Bryant, an unconscious condition. Young Bryant telephoned the police, and the injured man was removed to the Receiving Hospital, where he is suffering from severe lacerations about the head and body and from internal injuries. On recovering consciousness, Gutleben stated that he was riding north on Fernando Boulevard on his bicycle. The automobile came up from behind at a terrific rate of speed, striking him and running over his legs. No assistance was offered the man, the auto continuing on without stopping its speed. Bryant, who lives in the neighborhood, was walking home when he stumbled over the prostrated form of the superintendent.

The occurrence is similar in every detail to the recent accident to John Williams, of this city, who was run down by an automobile two months ago. The police are today searching for the owner of the car.

RICHMOND POLICE
STATION READYNew Structure Will Be Occu-
pied Soon After First
of the Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The new Richmond police station, which will house the officers in the district north of Golden Gate park, was completed yesterday and will be occupied soon after the first of the year. It is located at Sixth avenue and Point Lobos avenue and will be occupied by Captain Mooney and the members of Company G.

The present O'Farrell street station, which now houses the company, will not be abandoned, but will be used as a sub-station. The new quarters are of modern construction and are equipped with a drill room, offices for captain, lieutenants and sergeants, and will have lockers and accommodations for 100 men. The stables which are attached will accommodate 20 horses.

BURGLARS TRY OLD GAME BUT IT
WORKS OUT IN A NEW
WAY.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—As the result of an attempt to rob the home of a policeman, David Davidson and Jack Burns will spend their Christmas in jail. Just after arising, Patrolman William Stubbs heard some one trying to pry open a rear door and, throwing the door open, found himself confronted by Davidson with a revolver leveled at him.

Seizing the man's gun arm the policeman soon had Davidson at his mercy, but Burns, posted as a lookout, ran away. Unaware that the captor of his accomplice was an officer, Burns informed Patrolman Stratton that a man was being held a prisoner in the house and was begging for aid.

Stratton's knock at the door was answered by Stubbs thrusting a gun into his ribs. Recognition by both officers followed and Burns, dumbfounded, was easily taken prisoner.

PREPARE LICENSE BILL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—A tentative daylight saloon ordinance, the base of one which the "dry" forces of the city hope to present to the voters at an election next spring, was adopted yesterday at a gospel prohibition meeting. According to the terms of the ordinance, liquor in wholesale or retail quantities must not be sold between the hours of 6 p. m. and 8 a. m. Permission may be granted by the police commission to serve liquor with meals at the usual meal hours.

SORROWING HOST
OF FRIENDS TO
PAY HIM HONOR

The late HARRY HALL.

BERKELEY, Dec. 25.—The holiday season has been made sorrowful for many graduates of the University of California by the sudden death in Stockton Saturday of Harry Hall, a young civil engineer and alumnus.

The remains have been brought to Berkeley and funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of Hall's mother, Mrs. H. A. Hall, 1215 Shattuck avenue. The rites will be conducted by Edward Lamb Parsons, pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

BREAK INTO HOME
OF 'COP'; JAILEDBurglars Try Old Game But It
Works Out in a New
Way.

ALAMEDA PERSONALS

ALAMEDA, Dec. 25.—Mrs. J. C. Waller was a Christmas week hostess at her home, 2062 Central avenue, entertaining a party of friends at a 4 o'clock tea. The guests were Mrs. C. Waigton, Mrs. C. Hallwig, Mrs. W. Morrison, Mrs. L. Anderson and the daughters of the invited matrons.

The stork left a baby daughter as a Christmas gift at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Roth, 2117 Pacific avenue, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockman S. Cortelyou and their young son of San Mateo are spending the Christmas holidays with their Alameda relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick of Vallejo are making a Christmas visit with Mrs. Kilpatrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Linderman.

Mrs. Ross Hollinberry was hostess, Friday, for a sewing club of six members composed of Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Helen, Miss Zeida Hollywood, Miss Gertrude Schenmer, Miss Helen Anderson, Miss Maud Eitte and Mrs. Hollinberry. A club Christmas tree was a feature of the afternoon.

Miss Rose Jarrgrave was a party hostess Saturday evening at the home of Santa Clara avenue. Miss Alice Roscoe and Miss Florence Mills, Kenneth Volk and Wallace Roscoe were the prize winners for the games. The guests were Miss Fay Boyden, Miss Gay Boyden, Miss Valerie Foveaux, Miss Helen Rosenberg, Miss Florence Miller, Miss Ruby Cameron, Miss Ruth Edinger, Miss Lily Alfs, Miss Alice Roscoe, Kenneth Volk, Wallace Roscoe, John Pierce, Tom Eithers, Evelyn, Ray Foster and Fred Nelson.

Our Annual Sale

Starts Tomorrow

TUESDAY AT 9 A. M.

1/2 Off 1/4 Off

EVERY SUIT
EVERY COAT
EVERY SKIRT
EVERY FUR

Cut just one-half regular selling price.

EVERY WAIST

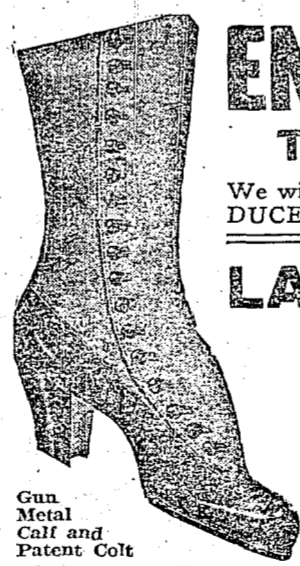
All styles, all sizes, at 25 per cent less than regular

SILK PETTICOATS

Reduced—one-quarter off on these. Big line to choose from.

Every Article Cut in Price to Sell Quickly

Simmonds
LADIES' TAILOR
Rooms 284-285-286-287-288, BACON BUILDING.



Gun Metal Calf and Patent Colt

WINNING NUMBERS FOR
DOLL

2459	2471	1948	2284
1818	2468	1386	2286
1641	2482		

Winning number must be presented before January 5.

Ladies' Shoes

Gun Metal Calf, Patent Colt and Vici Kid Button and Blucher.

\$1.95

All Styles All Sizes

ENORMOUS REDUCTIONS

Tomorrow, Tuesday and All This Week

We will make an after Christmas clean-up, and for one week only will GREATLY REDUCE our stock. Do not miss this opportunity to purchase "Savoy Shoes" at special prices.

LADIES' NAPOLEON HIGH CUTS
17 BUTTONSSchool \$2.85
HeelsMilitary \$3.15
Heels

Short Vamps

Twenty Styles
of Ladies' Shoes

\$2.35

(All Styles—All Sizes)
Black and Brown
Velvet Patent Colt,
Gun Metal Calf and
Vici Kid. Cloth or
kid tops.

New High Toes

WINNING NUMBERS FOR
COASTER

3840	3376	2593	3371
3394	3883	2677	2573
3378	3859		

Winning number must be presented before January 6.

Men's Shoes

FOR DRESS WEAR

\$2.85

Goodyear Welts—None Better

All Leathers

Savoy Shoe Store
1016 WASHINGTON ST. Bet. 10th and 11th Sts.

Mad Scramble to Catch Train Follows Closing of Strenuous War

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 25.—Respon-
sibility of the state to sena-
torial, congressional and assembly dis-
tricts was accomplished yesterday at
legislative session which will be
hoped as one of the longest sin-
gle sittings of that body in the his-
tory of the state. Immediately fol-
lowing adjournment the senate and
legislature again met in what is prob-
ably the shortest extraordinary session
ever held. At its close there was a
mad scramble to catch the 3:30 p. m.
train to Oakland and San Francisco,
and the legislature adjourned in haste
to make the run from the capitol to
the Southern Pacific depot. All sorts
of vehicles were commandeered by the
legislators, and for a few minutes
yesterday afternoon K street present-
ed a scene of confusion and excitement
characteristic of a train leading to a newly
discovered gold camp.

Senator Ellis of California headed the Segra depotward, piloting his big six-cylinder auto freighted to the guards with Oakland and San Francisco senators and assemblymen, through the maze of traffic at a 40-minute-an-hour clip. Following close behind came a heavily laden taxicab, in which Governor Johnson, Senator Peterson, Senator Strobidge, Senator Moserberry and Francis J. Heney were the ballast. Thereafter, until the very second when the legislative special began its trip to the Pacific, autos, street cars, express wagons and hack-carreened made up to the station and fairly vomited forth senators and assemblymen.

The closing engagement of the re-apportionment war that had waged bitterly and resentfully from the opening day of the extraordinary session, began at 3:30 o'clock Saturday morning and continued without cessation until 4 o'clock Sunday morning, when a truce was declared until 10 o'clock. In the meantime the assembly and senate had concurred in the report of the joint committee on conference apportioning the state into senatorial and assembly districts, the senate taking a final vote of 23 to 15. The report was adopted in the assembly by a vote of 48 to 28, and in the senate by a vote of 23 to 16. The roll is as follows:

Assembly—Ayes: Beckett, Benedict, Tennink, Bohnett, Brown, Butler, Catali, Chandler, Clark, Cogswell, Cronin, Crosby, Farwell, Flint, Freeman, Gaylord, Griffin, Griffiths, Gull, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Held, Hinkle, Hinshaw, Jones, Judson, Kehoe, Lamb, Lyon, Maher, Maline, Mendenhall, Mott, Polsley, Preisker, Tibbits, Wyllie, Young and the speaker.

Noes—Beatty, Bliss, Callaghan, Cogh-
an, Cunningham, Benegri, Feeley, Fitz-
gerald, Gerdes, Hall, Jasper, Joel, Ken-
edy, Lyon, MacDonald, McGowen, Mul-
lally, Nolan, Rimlinger, Rodgers, Ryan,
Ubragla, Schmitt, Smith, Stuckenbruck,
Valsh, Williams.

Senate—Ayes: Avey, Bell, Eldrsall, Black, Boynton, Caminetti, Campbell, Cartwright, Curtin, Cutten, Estudillo, Gates, Hewitt, Holohan, Hurd, Juillard, Perkins, Roseberry, Rush, Sanford, Shanahan, Thompson, Walker.
Nays—Evans, Bills, Bryant, Burnett, Cassidy, Flynn, Hans, Hare, Martinelli, Regan, Stetson, Strobridge, Tyrell, Welch, Wolfe, Wright.

As soon as the result of the vote on assembly and senatorial districts was announced the city delegations locked horns with the "cowhide caucus" over division of the state into congressional districts. Rutherford's bill, introduced on November 28, was resurrected from the file, where it had been so long dormant, and was doctored with an amendment to give the state a "strong" majority which was fortified, it was transmitted to the senate at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. In the interim, Assemblyman Young of Berkeley introduced an emergency measure designed to meet the conditions which might be brought about by the election at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. In the Rutherford bill, it provided for the election at large of the three additional congressmen allotted to California. The figures of the federal census themselves unable to cope with the specifications of the Rutherford bill so early on Christmas eve, and so a recess was declared until 10 o'clock that they might have the opportunity to connect with the astronomical.

Upon reconvening the senate proceeded to shoot the assembly amendment to the measure full of holes, and to add thereto an amendment of its own, the latter being the product of a protracted session of the conference committee. Thus hatched up, the measure went back to the assembly for concurrence after it had received the approval of the senate. Thereafter it received the Governor's signature, and to all intents and purposes, became a law.

As passed, the measure reads:

An act to amend Section 117 of the Political Code relating to the division of the State into Congressional districts and defining and establishing such districts.

The People of the State of California do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 117 of the Political Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

117 The state is divided into eleven

1. The counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Glenn, Butte, Yuba, Sutter, Marin, Colusa, Lake and Sonoma shall constitute the First Congressional district.

2. The counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Siskiyou, Yuba, Colusa, El Dorado, Calaveras, Alpine, Yolo, and Mariposa shall constitute the Second Congressional district.
3. All that portion of the city and county of San Francisco comprising the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth assembly districts, shall constitute the Fourth Congressional district (as such district is hereinafter referred to) of this code, as amended at the extraordinary session of the Legislature commenced on the 1st day of April, 1901.
4. All that portion of the city and county of San Francisco not included in the Fourth Congressional district shall constitute the Fifth Congressional district.

6. The county of Alameda shall constitute the Sixth Congressional district.

8. The counties of San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura, shall constitute the Eighth Congressional district.

9. All that portion of the county of Los Angeles comprising the Sixty-first, Sixty-fifth, Sixty-seventh, Sixty-eighth, Sixty-ninth and Seventieth Assembly districts shall constitute the Ninth Congressional district (as such districts are constituted by section 90 of this code, as amended at the extraordinary session of the Legislature commencing November 27, 1911).

10. All that portion of the county of Los Angeles not included in the Ninth Congressional district shall constitute the Tenth Congressional district.

11. The counties of San Bernardino, Orange, Riverside, San Diego (Mono, Inyo) and Imperial shall constitute the Eleventh Congressional district.

12. At 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon the Legislature adjourned to meet again at all call of the Governor and enacted Assembly bill No. 1 by Assemblyman Judson. The bill was a quo warranto against fruit pests in general, and the Mediterranean fly in particular. That was the last bill passed by the Legislature. The bill was called the "Fly Session." It was an act and later the Legislature had adjourned sine die, and the members were scampering for home.

The Juon measure reads as follows:

An Act to provide for the protection of the State against the introduction into this State of insects, diseases or animals, injurious to fruit or forest trees, vines, bushes or vegetables, and to provide for the enforcement of this act, making a violation of the terms of the act a misdemeanor, and providing that a person who provides false information in obtaining a permit for introducing said act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and go into effect immediately.

Section 1. It is hereby enacted, providing that certain act entitled "An Act for the purpose of preventing the introduction of insects, diseases and animals, and to prevent the introduction into this State of insects, or diseases, or animals, injurious to fruit or forest trees, vines, bushes or vegetables, and to provide for a quarantine for the enforcement of this act."

Section 1. Any person, persons, firm or corporation, who shall receive, bring or cause to be brought into the State of California, any nursery stock, trees, shrubs, plants, vines, cuttings, grafts, scions, buds or fruit pits or fruit or seeds,

tables, or seed, shall immediately advise the arrival thereof notify the State commissioner of horticulture, or deputy quarantine officer, or quarantine guardian of the district or county in which such nursery stock, or fruit or vegetables or seed are received, of their arrival, and hold the same without unnecessarily moving the same, or placing such articles where they may be harmful, for the immediate inspection of such State commissioner of horticulture, or deputy quarantine officer, or guardian.

If there is no quarantine guardian or State horticultural quarantine officer in the place where such nursery stock, fruit or vegetable is to be delivered, it shall then be the duty of such person, persons, firm or corporation to notify the State horticultural quarantine officer who shall make immediate arrangements for their inspection. The State quarantine guardian, horticultural quarantine officer or horticultural quarantine officer or persons as shall be commissioned by the State commissioner of horticulture shall have the right to enter upon the premises of such person or persons as shall be commissioned by the State commissioner of horticulture.

If after such examination or inspection, any of the said described articles are found to be so infested or infected as to be a menace to the public health, or if, in the opinion of the State horticultural quarantine officer, the owner, owners, or persons, firm or

thereupon having charge or possession thereof so disinfect at his or their expense each and every portion of the ship, dock, wharf, mole, warehouse or depot where said articles may have been located in such a manner as to destroy all infection or infestation present or that is liable to be present, and all articles or packages or soils apt to be so infested or infected shall be held and treated as such and all packages or soils have been thoroughly disinfected and all injurious insects, or their eggs, larvae or pupae or other animal or plant

disease have been eradicated and destroyed; provided, however, that all articles of nursery stock, trees, shrubs, plants, vines, cuttings, grafts, scions, buds, fruit pits, fruits, vegetables or seed which are infested or infected with such species of injurious insects or their larvae or pupae or other animal or plant parasites may within ninety days be removed from the orchards, vineyards, gardens or farms within said State, shall be destroyed or reshipped out of the State as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Each carload, case, box, package, crate, bale or bundle of forest shrubs, plants, vines, cuttings, grafts, scions, buds or fruit pits, or fruit or vegetables or seed, imported or brought into this State, shall have plainly and legibly marked thereon in a conspicuous manner the name of the grower, the address of the shipper, owner, or owners or person forwarding or shipping the same, and also the name of the person, firm or corporation to whom the same is forwarded or shipped, or his or its representative, and the State or territory, State or territory where the contents were grown and a statement of the con-

Sec. 3. When any shipment of nursery stock, trees, vines, plants, shrubs or cuttings, grasses, seeds, fruit, flowers, seed or vegetables or fruit, imported or brought into this State, is found infested with insects, or if it contains beetles, flies, moths, caterpillars, worms, pupae, eggs, or their eggs, larvae or pupae or other animal or plant disease or there is reasonable cause to presume that they are present, such shipment shall be deemed to cause damage, or be liable to cause damage, to the orchards, vineyards, gardens or farms of the State of California, and such person or persons shall be held detrimental thereto or to any portion of said State, or to any of the orchards, vineyards, gardens or farms within said State, and such shipment shall be immediately destroyed by the State commissioner of horticulture, his deputy, quarantine officer or officers, or by any one or more person or persons, who shall be commissioned by the State commissioner of hor-

Section 1. When any shipment or nursery stock, trees, shrubs, plants, cuttings, grafts, scions, fruit, fruit pits, vegetables or seed, or any other horticultural or agricultural product passing through any portion of the State of California in transit, is infested or infected with any pest of any kind, or with their eggs, larvae or pupae or animal or plant disease, which would cause damage, or be liable to cause damage to the orchards, vineyards, gardens or farms of the State of California, or which would be, or be liable to be, detrimental thereto or to any portion of said State, or to any of its orchards, vineyards, gardens or farms

within said State, and there exists danger of dissemination of such insects or disease while such shipment is in transit from any State of California, then such shipment shall be placed in metal or other containers, composed of metallic or other material, so that the same can not be broken or opened, or be liable to be broken or opened, or be liable to be broken or opened, so as to expose the larvae or pupae or animal or plant disease to escape from such sealed containers and the said containers shall not be opened while within the State of California.

Sec. 5. No person, firm or corporation shall bring or cause to be brought into the State of California any fruit or vegetable or host plant which is not known to be free from the pest which becomes a host plant or host fruit of any species of the fruit fly family tephritidae from any country, state or district where such pest is known to exist and any such fruit, vegetable, or host plant, together with the container and packing, shall be refused entry and destroyed at the expense of the owner, owners or shippers.

Sec. 6. No person, firm or corporation shall bring or cause to be brought into the State of California any fruit, vegetable, host plant, cuttings, grafts, scions, buds or pits of such trees, or any trees budded or grafted upon peach stock or roots that have been in any district where the disease known as "peach yellows" or the contagious disease known as "contagious peach rosette" are known to exist, and any such at-

penalty shall be determined and shall be destroyed or returned to the point of shipment at the option of the owner, owners or agents, and at his or their expense, if necessary. No person, persons, firm or corporation shall bring or cause to be brought into the State of California any injurious animals known as English or Canadian geese, or any flying squirrel, goose or any other animal or animals detrimental to horticultural or agricultural interests. Any person, persons, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison for a term not exceeding six months, or by a fine not exceeding \$500 or by both such fine and imprisonment.

clared that this act and each and all of the provisions thereof, constitute and is an agency measure necessary for the protection, preservation and promotion of the safety and health. The facts constituting such necessity are as follows: There now exist in various islands and territories of the United States, and particularly in California dangerous and injurious fruit diseases and insects which, if permitted to enter into the State of California, would cause a calamity to the agricultural interests of said State and which would be impossible to eradicate if brought into said State, and this act is necessary to prevent the same from preventing the entrance of such insects and diseases into the State of California.

Sec. 10. That the act entitled "An act for the protection of our agriculture and to prevent the introduction into this State of insects, or diseases or animals, injurious to the same, fruit, vines, trees, bushes, or vegetables, and to provide for a quarantine for the enforcement of this act," approved March 11, 1890 is hereby

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25. — John Finard, who lives at the Garfield hotel, was held up by two thugs while crossing Lobos park, early this morning. The robbers had concealed themselves behind a tree and struck their victim from behind with a blunt instrument. Finard was dazed by the blow and when he recovered himself he found that he had been robbed of \$17.

Deep Price Cuts on Splendid Clothing



San Francisco's greatest clothing stock thrown into four great lots for this week's selling. Unlimited assortments; sizes, styles and shapes for everybody; newest models and most attractive cloths with the very best tailoring in every instance.

LOT 1—SUITS AND OVERCOATS, worth up to \$15.00, at	\$9.85
LOT 2—SUITS AND OVERCOATS, worth up to \$18.50 at	\$11.85
LOT 3—SUITS AND OVERCOATS, worth up to \$20.00 at	\$14.75
LOT 4—SUITS AND OVERCOATS, worth up to \$30.00 at	\$18.50

1000 Pairs Men's Pants on Sale at \$2.45

Corduroys and Fancy Cashmères, in all sizes and made in a variety of ways; worth up to \$4; on sale at \$2.45.



Big Savings on Boys' Clothing

Special year-end reductions from the busiest Boys' Clothing Department in all San Francisco. Generous assortments in every instance, even at these reduced prices. Fit the boys out during this year-end sale to their satisfaction and to your profit.

Boys' Russian and Sailor Suits \$2.95

Ages 3 to 10; nice pretty patterns; bloomers full lined, blouses prettily embroidered.

Boys' \$5 2-Piece and Norfolk Suits \$3.45

Pretty grays and browns; nicely made garments; ages 6 to 14 years; Norfolk and double breasted two-piece styles; \$5.00 values on sale at \$3.45.

Boys' 2-Piece Suits with Extra Pants \$5.00

Splendid all-wool materials in beautiful colorings; sizes up to 16 years; extra pair of pants furnished with each of these suits; both pairs full linen lined. These on sale at \$5.00.

Youths' Corduroy Trousers

Fine quality, college-cut, full peg style, with or without cuff bottoms, on sale at \$2.00.

Boys' Corduroy Bloomers

\$1.00

Ages 5 to 16; extra quality; regularly worth \$1.50, one sale at \$1.00.



Rare Bargains in Men's Furnishings

Great big stocks to choose from, every item cheap at original prices.

Men's Ties Reduced

All \$1.50 Ties, reduced to.....	95c
All \$1.00 Ties, reduced to.....	65c
All 50c Ties, reduced to.....	35c
All 25c Ties, reduced to.....	15c

Men's Hosiery Reduced

50c Cashmere Hose, on sale now, 3 pairs for **\$1.00**
 25c Black and Colored Lisle Hose, on sale, 3 pairs for **50c**
 Men's 15c Cotton Hose, on sale 10c

Shirt Savings

\$1.00 Golf Shirts, with collars to match, reduced to **65c**
 \$1.50 Idle Shirts **\$1.15**
 (Splendid qualities, pleated bottoms, good line of sizes.)

Men's \$1.50 and \$2.00 Shirts, with attached collars **70c**



Men's \$2.50 Cloth Hats \$1

Black, gray and brown mixtures, of styles or fedora shapes; same styles and colors that you see around town for \$2.00 and \$3.50. On sale at \$1.00.

Men's \$1.00 Caps 65c

New fancy mixtures, nicely shaped with fine leather sweat bands; these on sale at 65c.

Men's \$2.50 Stiff Hats \$1.95

Fine quality; permanent finish; light weight stiff hats in all the new shapes and styles; regular \$2.50 value, on sale at \$1.95.



\$6 Trimmed Hats \$1.65

100 clever new trimmed Hats; not old, unwanted styles or shapes, but fresh, new goods recently trimmed up from materials at less than half price.

These hats are really worth up to \$6.00 and there's a good assortment of styles and colors.

On sale Tuesday at the very low price of \$1.65.

High-Grade Trimmed Hats at Half

All our higher priced trimmed hats, regardless of shape or style on sale exactly half. In many cases these hats have been already reduced, so that the price you pay now does not represent even a half of their original prices.

Great bargain opportunity in this department this week.

\$7.50, \$10 and \$12.50 Smoking Jackets \$5.00

(Unrestricted choice of any smoking jacket in the house regardless of former price at \$5.00; most of these are \$10 and \$12 goods, some of them being formerly priced at \$7.50.)

Suspenders & Garters

Men's 50c Suspenders, fine webs, good ends; on sale at 30c

Men's 25c Suspenders, on sale at 20c

Underwear Reductions

Big Savings on standard, staple lines.

\$1.50 Cooper Needle Underwear at \$1.15

\$1.25 Cooper Wool Underwear, on sale now at 85c

\$1.50 Derby Ribbed Underwear, on sale now at \$1.15

"Cambridge" Shirts 95c

First showing of new spring patterns in this celebrated shirt, including nearly 1,000 dozen, are being featured in this sale at 95c. All sorts of new patterns, in pleated and plain designs, with and without collars to match and with regular and French cuffs are included. Equal to any \$1.50 shirt on the market.

S. N. WOOD & CO.

COR. MARKET COR. WASHINGTON
SAN FRANCISCO AND 4TH STS. AND 11TH STS. OAKLAND

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 of \$17.

Start the New Year Right

You have only a few days more in which to select your New Year's presents. Our Handcraft Wicker Furniture will do more to add to the attractiveness of the home than anything you can purchase. It means fireside comfort—lasts a lifetime. 25 per cent reduction on all Toys, Doll Furniture and Carriages.

Pacific Coast Rattan Co.

606

For Blood Poison

Is no longer an experiment. It is a positive and permanent cure for **BLOOD POISON** (Syphilis). I am the only doctor in the city who does not detain you from work; you stay in my office but 20 minutes and then go about your work without any pain or bad results. I administer "606" to women and children.

MY FEE --- \$35

This is positively the lowest fee in the city. In all my professional work I keep fees down. Each "606" tube that I use, the original foreign seal is broken and the remedy is prepared in the patient's presence, and as a guarantee he has received the genuine he may take the empty tube away with him.

I extend an invitation to anyone interested to call and see "606" administered the proper way.

Low fees, easy payments and **CERTAIN** cures for all **PRIVATE** diseases have made me the most progressive and reliable specialist for men.

FURIOUS BLOOD REMEDIES AND APPLIANCES FREE TO EVERY PATIENT.

NO EXTRA CHARGES.

If you are interested, call or write for complete up-to-date information about "606." If you have any form of Weakness or Private Disease, call for friendly consultation.

PHONE OAK. 414.



Dr. J. G. LEE
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SEEK PARDON FOR RUEF, IS RUMOR

San Francisco Business Man Sees Prisoner Free in Two Months.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—That Abraham Ruef will be paroled from San Quentin prison, where he is serving a fourteen-year term, was the confidential statement made yesterday by a well-known San Francisco business man, who a short time ago visited Ruef at the penitentiary. The powerful influences that have been brought to bear to bring about the parole of Ruef have been sufficient to wave aside the legal bars that stand in the way of such action, was the announcement of the friend of the former political boss of this city. The statement made as it was a few hours after the friend of Ruef had left the penitentiary, has been given considerable weight in this city, and there are many who believe that the business man who journeyed to San Quentin to see the prisoner, received information upon which he based his announcement.

TWO COLLEGE CITY MATRONS ARE DEAD

Mrs. B. R. Richardson and Mrs. May I. Wagner Pass Away.

BERKELEY, Dec. 25.—Within twenty-four hours, ending this morning, two young matrons of Berkeley have passed away. Mrs. Bertha R. Richardson, wife of Walter E. Richardson, a student in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at San Anselmo, died yesterday at her home, 1332 Marin avenue, at the age of 30. She is survived by her husband, three children, Wilfred and Laura A. Richardson, and a sister, Miss Florence Dunkelberger of Rocky Ford, Colo. Mrs. Richardson came to Berkeley about five years ago from Colorado. She was a native of Indiana. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, Dr. Andrew Beattie of Calvary Presbyterian Church, of which Mrs. Richardson was a member, will officiate, assisted by Dr. L. A. McAfee, of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. May I. Wagner, wife of Fred A. Wagner of 2147 San Pablo avenue, died this morning of pneumonia, aged 28 years. Besides her husband, there survive her two young children, Fred H. and Edward C. Bunker. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Edward Smith, pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, who married Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, officiating.

Mrs. Wagner was a native of New York.

WARDS OF THE STATE HAVE BIG TREE

BERKELEY, Dec. 25.—Students remaining over the holidays at the California Institution for the Deaf and the Blind were entertained last evening with a Christmas tree from the surplus property of the state. The tree was decorated by relatives and friends were distributed. About 55 of the pupils were present. Rev. Father Ryan sent a large donation of candy. The students are enjoying a Christmas dinner today.

Public spirited citizens and firms contributing toys and delicacies for the children at the Berkeley day nursery, who enjoyed a Christmas tree and party yesterday afternoon.

Children of the Home Society at Russell and Grove streets, are enjoying Christmas jollifications today. There are fourteen homeless children at the institution awaiting permanent homes. This afternoon a Christmas tree is affording enjoyment for the inmates.

Excursion Rates to Truckee Commencing December 21 to 31 Inclusive.

Round trip tickets will be on sale at one fare and third, return limit 10 days from date of sale. These tickets will be on sale from San Francisco, Oakland, Salinas, Fresno, Yolo, Marysville, Summit and intermediate points, including branch lines, thus giving an opportunity to enjoy the winter sports. Ask any of the S. P. agents for further information.

Phone Oakland 3088.

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Put on Gas Grates and Heaters Made Like New by JAMES MARTIN

35 Eleventh St., Oakland, Cal.

\$5.00 worth of GAS FREE

We Want You to Have a Good, Modern

Gas Range and Gas Water Heater

Because Gas will save time, labor and money for you and will make another steady customer for us.

Our Plan

You select what you want from any local dealer and he will give you an order on us for five dollars' worth of gas absolutely free.

In Other Words

We give you \$5.00 toward the price of a regular Range or Water Heater purchased December 13th to 31st, 1911.

Oakland Gas, Light and Heat Company

Clay and Thirteenth Sts. Oakland

SHATTERS RECORDS FOR SPEED TO THIS PORT

British Bark Calcutta Comes From Tsing Tau in 38 Days.

Shattering all previous records for speed between this port and those on the China coast, the British bark, Calcutta, used and owned by the Standard Oil Company, as an oil tanker, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon and laid at anchor. After a passage of 38 days from the port of Tsing Tau on the China coast. The big windjammer's former best time in making the run from the Oriental coast was made in 42 days and was then considered an exceptionally speedy passage.

Although the passage was made in a record-breaking short time the big sail or had to contend with a series of gales and high running seas that had they not been on her beam would have probably forced her to run into some friendly harbor for shelter. Fortunately for Calcutta the gales were invariably on her beam which aided rather than retarded her progress.

When in latitude 40 north, longitude 170 east, on December 4, the first of a three-day storm struck her, and although practically all sails were furled the windjammer flew along at an astonishingly fast pace.

On the first day the gale was rather light but the second and third days it arose to a severe hurricane which kicked up a heavy sea, the waves of which engulfed the Calcutta for hours at a time. The craft, however, ran over, or rather under the water like a duck and with the exception of a few persons of the upper rigging being washed overboard was undamaged when she sailed in and dropped anchor at this port. Captain Devia who is in charge of the windjammer reports that during the progress of the storm, the barometer dropped to 28.75 degrees.

CITY IS QUIET

Tsing Tau, which is a German protectorate and which port the Calcutta picked up her cargo of oil was quiet during the two weeks that she was picking up her cargo of oil at this port, there being no lighting, except an occasional street brawl. According to the officers on the Calcutta, the effect that a mysterious craft acting in a very suspicious manner was cruising off the port of Tsing Tau, contained a baby emperor and other members of the royal family caused considerable excitement among the natives. The Calcutta was sighted laying off port a few miles but investigation proved the rumor without foundation.

Officers and crew of the windjammer were treated to a rather interesting and peculiar sight when the vessel left the port. When she was within a few miles off the Chinese coast, thousands of falcons, owls, hawks, and other birds alighted on the ship's rigging. By mesmerizing the officers managed to pass away long days. The birds, which flew on the rigging also offered a diversion for the officers who would shoot at their peculiar prey. Combining with the crew claim was captured from the upper masts and made into the ship's mast. The birds had no idea of the vessel that it refuses to leave its companions.

DISHARGES LUMBER

After discharging lumber at Long Wharf the little steam schooner Newburg, Captain Norburg and the Redondo steamed from this port. When the fact that today is Christmas, every vessel on the local waterfront is tied up, the only persons on the beach being the watchmen. Only one vessel docked on this side today. The steam schooner Hialeah arrived this morning from San Pedro and laid at Long Wharf. The vessel will begin discharging tomorrow morning at noon today the Webster street bridge had not made the connection with the waterfront being practically deserted.

The little schooner Jazelle Pien at present laying at Long Wharf will be shifted from her present berth to San Francisco tomorrow when she will go drydock for repairs. The little schooner was buffeted about considerably in her last passage, and also was in collision last week with the pilot boat Wier, which destroyed a portion of her forecast.

PRESIDENT REFUSES PARDON TO C. W. MORSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The President yesterday declined to pardon Charles W. Morse. The explanation of his decision is contained in the following statement issued from the White House.

"The President today called into consultation the surgeon-general of the army, the surgeon-general of the navy, and Major M. A. Delaney, medical corps, United States army, on the report of the board of physicians at Atlanta as to the physical condition of Charles W. Morse. After a full consideration of the report, as explained to him by them, the president was not satisfied that immediate action was necessary, but directed that he be kept fully advised at frequent intervals of any change."

"There could be no better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My children were all sick with whooping cough. One of them was in bed, had a high fever and was coughing up blood. Our doctor gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the first dose cured them, and three bottles cured them," says Mrs. R. A. Donaldson of Lexington, Mass. For sale by Osgood Bros' Drug Store.

BQY IS RUN DOWN BY BIG AUTOMOBILE

Milton Housner, a school boy, residing with his parents at 474 Fourteenth street, was run down shortly after noon today while crossing East Sixteenth street at Tenth avenue, by an automobile driven by R. E. Bain of 1261 Twenty-eighth avenue. The boy was taken to a nearby drugstore where bruises and lacerations were given medical attention. Afterward he was removed to his home. It is feared that internal injuries may have resulted from the accident and a physician is in attendance.

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R. F. CRIST, Cashier.

NOTICE OF SALE.
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CHURCHES OF OUTLYING DISTRICT CELEBRATE GREAT DAY WITH SPLENDID EXERCISES.

Churches of Outlying District Celebrate Great Day With Splendid Exercises.

FRUITVALE, Dec. 25.—Elaborate Yuletide services were held at the Fruitvale Christian Church, Fruitvale avenue and East Twenty-third street, yesterday, the main feature being the program rendered by the chorists. The soloists were: Mrs. E. K. Caldwell, soprano; Mrs. W. J. Marum, contralto; Dr. O. S. Dean, tenor; E. L. Brown, bass; Miss Aida Lyon, organist. Miss Kitty Webster, violinist. The activities were held in the main auditorium.

In Pilgrim Congregational Church sacred music was rendered by the choir and soloists during the morning and evening. The building was decorated in Christmas greens and flowers. The services were largely attended. Christmas anthems and special services were held yesterday in the Brooklyn Presbyterian Church. The musical program was directed by Mrs. Blanche Young. "Jerusalem," a cantata, was given in the evening at the Twenty-fourth Avenue Methodist Church by the children of the Sunday school. At the close of the ceremonies a Christmas tree was lighted.

OTHER CHURCHES.

Rev. William Keeney Tower, the new pastor of the First Baptist Church, preached on the message of the Christmas feast at morning worship. The First Unitarian Church selected its special music from the popular Christmas compositions, the numbers being presented at the morning service by Mrs. C. A. Brice, organist; P. Roylands, baritone; Mrs. Winifred Leux and Miss Anita Gladding. "Smiles and Tears in Christmas Songs" was the theme of the evening sermon preached by the minister, Rev. William Day Simons.

Union Christmas services of the Evangelical churches will be held tomorrow morning at the First Methodist Church.

CLARA BARTON 90 YEARS OLD TODAY

Showered With Greetings and Good Wishes by Hosts of Her Admirers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Miss Clara Barton, founder and first president of the American National Red Cross Society, was showered today with greetings and good wishes on the twentieth anniversary of her birth. Although feeble from illness this year, Miss Barton was able to celebrate her birthday with relatives and friends who are spending Christmas at her home, "Red Cross," in Gieneco, a suburb of Washington.

Post J. W. Riley Greeted by Hundreds

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—Twelve hundred letters of Christmas greeting and sympathy came to James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier Poet, who has been ill for several months.

"I can't answer them," said Riley, with a rueful glance at his right arm, of which he has lost the use. "I can't hold a pencil, and I wish I could write so do downcast as many of my friends seem to think. How could I be, when I have so many well wishers from the Atlantic to the Pacific whom I never even have seen. This is a merry Christmas for me, and, I hope, for all my unknown friends."

Victim of Burglar's Bullet Succumbs

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—Floyd Eilers, a policeman who was shot in a revolver duel with Fred Winsch alias Andrews, an alleged burglar, last Thursday night, died today. Winsch died Friday from wounds inflicted by the officer. Luigi Colindoli, a companion of Winsch who was arrested immediately after the revolver duel between Winsch and Eilers, is held at the city jail pending an investigation.

It was said that Winsch and Colindoli were preparing to rob a restaurant when Eilers discovered them and began an investigation which resulted in the exchange of shots.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DAVID B. WILSON HELD

Funeral services for the late David B. Wilson, one of the oldest and most prominent fire insurance adjusters on the Pacific Coast, were held at his late residence yesterday, Rev. A. W. Palmer, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church, officiating. Wilson spent sixty years out of his 76 in the insurance business. 40 of them in San Francisco, where he came from his original home in St. Charles, Mo. He passed through each successive rank in the business from office boy to general manager. The interment took place in Mountain View cemetery.

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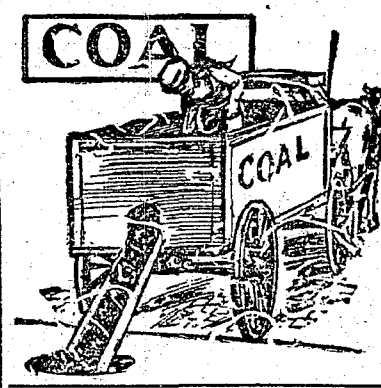
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Phones, Oak. 937; Home A-3937

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Piedmont 3373; Home C-6017.

LEGAL NOTICES

7 PER CENT
Dividend has been declared by the
M. T. MINNEY REALTY COMPANY

For the quarter ending December 31st, 1911, a dividend has been declared at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum on all the preferred stock of the M. T. MINNEY REALTY COMPANY, payable on Tuesday, January 9th, 1912, at 2 o'clock P. M. at the office of the company, 607-8 Realty Syndicate building, Oakland.

PER 4 CENT

Dividend has been declared by the
Central Savings Bank of Oakland

for the half year ending December 31st, 1911, on all savings deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Tuesday, January 9, 1912.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

THE OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS
OAKLAND, CAL.
For the six months ending December 31, 1911, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on all savings deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after January 2, 1912. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1911.

J. Y. ECCELESTON, Cashier

ANNUAL MEETING

THE OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS
OAKLAND, CAL.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Oakland Bank of Savings, Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, northeast corner of Broadway and Twelfth streets, Oakland, California, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1912, at 2 o'clock P. M.

W. W. GARTHWAITHE, President.

ANNUAL MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Savings Bank will be held at the office of said corporation, situated at the northeast corner of Broadway and Thirteenth street in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, 1912, at 2 o'clock P. M. of said day, said meeting being held for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

A. E. H. CRAMER, Secretary.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

FIRST TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, OAKLAND, CAL.
For the six months ending December 31st, 1911, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on all deposits, payable on and after January 2, 1912. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1912. Money deposited on or before January 10th bears interest from the first of that month.

O. D. JACOBY, Cashier.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

SECURITY BANK AND TRUST CO., OAKLAND, CAL.
For the six months ending December 31, 1911, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on savings deposits, payable on and after January 2, 1912. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1912.

CHAS. A. SMITH, Cashier.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Harbor Bank will be held at their banking rooms, at the corner of Twelfth and Franklin streets, Oakland, Cal., on Tuesday, January 9, 1912, at 3:30 p. m., for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting.
C. C. SPAULDING, secretary.

PREPARE FOR WINTER

RELIABLE DEALERS WHO WILL SUPPLY YOUR FUEL AT LOWEST CASH PRICES AND BEST MATERIALS.

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Pacific Fuel & Building Material Co.

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"AT THE SIGN OF THE BRASS COAL HOD"

Coal, Wood and Building Material

Anthracite Coal for furnaces Sand
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Charcoal, etc. Lime, Etc., Etc.

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Yards—Broadway Wharf, Adams Wharf, Emeryville, Berkeley

Meaning of Volatile

Matter in Coal

Volatile means capable of wasting away, or of easily passing into the aeriform state. Thus substances which affect the smell with pungent or fragrant odors, such as musk, hartshorn and essential oils, are called volatile substances because they waste away on exposure to the atmosphere. Many or most solid bodies are susceptible of volatility by the action of intense heat. This volatility when properly consumed in coal is one of the essentials of successful firing.

Now Is Your Chance

You will need a good many tons of coal to heat your store and residence during the cold weather.

To heat them properly you need pure, honest coal.

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Order today and save 25 per cent on your year's coal bill.

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One block east of Fruitvale ave. Phone Merritt 400. Private exchange connects all departments for wood, coal, hay or grain.

LEGAL NOTICES

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS' SAVINGS BANK OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
FRANKLIN & THIRTEENTH STREETS.
For the half year ending December 31, 1911, dividends to depositors (payable at Monday, January 8, 1912) have been declared at the following rates per annum:

4 PER CENT ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.
3 PER CENT ON SPECIAL ORDINARY ACCOUNTS (SUBJECT TO CHECK).

Dividends not called for will be added to the account, and will earn the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1912. Terms deposits made on or before January 10th, 1912, will earn interest from January 1, 1912.

GEORGE S. MEREDITH, Cashier.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

THE GERMAN SAVINGS AND LOAN SOCIETY.
(The German Bank.)
Member of the Associated Savings Banks of San Francisco, 526 corner Montgomery street, San Francisco, Cal. Market street branch, junction Market, Turk and Mason streets, S. F.

For this half year ending December 31, 1911, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on all savings deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after January 2, 1912. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1912. Money deposited on or before January 10th will earn interest from January 1, 1912.

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GEORGE TOURNAY, Manager.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central National Bank of Oakland, Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, northeast corner of Fourteenth and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., on Tuesday, January 9, 1912, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. A. MOSHER, Cashier.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central National Bank of Oakland, Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, northeast corner of Fourteenth and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., on Tuesday, January 9, 1912, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

ARTHUR L. HARRIS, Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF TIME SET FOR PROVING WILL, ETC.
In the Superior Court of the County of Alameda, State of California.
In the matter of the estate of Jane K. Kreyenhausen, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that a petition for the probate of the will, together with the petition for the appointment of an administrator, and for the issuance of California Title Insurance and Trust Company, a corporation of letters testamentary thereon, has been filed in this Court, and that Tuesday, the 24 day of January, A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court House in the City of Oakland, in said County of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition, and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same, and show cause, if any they have, why said petition should not be granted.

Dated, December 15th, A. D. 1911.
By W. W. CRANE, Deputy Clerk.
A. M. TIER, Jr., No. 332, Attorney for Petitioners.
San Francisco, Cal., Attorney for Petitioners.

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\$5500-3-5 room cottages; 2 rented for \$34 per month; lot 55x174; near car line.
\$2550-6-room cottage, on Rio Vista, near Piedmont; lot 55x110.
\$1250-Lot 52x140; on Howard st.
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PROVES POPULAR
Dillon, King and Company
Arouse Big Audiences
to Laughter.
Dillon and King, the popular fun-makers, surpass all previous efforts this week at the cozy Columbia in Tenth street, with a delightful musical comedy entitled "The New Guards." This mixture of complex situations and witty dialogues has served continuously to a large and appreciative audience at the matinee yesterday. Judging from the applause that greeted the individual players, there is no doubting the fact that this happy-go-lucky company has more than won public favor.
The offering this week is mostly farce comedy in nature. From the rise of the curtain, the audience is kept in a steady uproar of laughter. It would have been impossible to count the laughs that were scored at yesterday's performance. Dillon and King in the two principal comedy parts were extremely funny. As two guards in a mad house like and Mike assume duties and responsibilities that lead them into many difficulties. One wonders how it will all turn out, but leave it to the Irishman and Hebrew to take care of themselves in strange places. This comedy is brought to a close with a big finale that is well presented. From the pantomime one would suppose that the girls had put in a season with the Boston Bloomers.

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YOU'LL NEED YOUR LAUGH AT ORPHEUM THIS WEEK



MRS. GARDNER CRANE, who registered one of yesterday's big hits at the Oakland Orpheum.

When you go to the Orpheum this week, be sure you take your laugh with you, for practically every number on the bill is destined to make use of it. All most from the very beginning, with Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy, who begin your evening with a new sketch, "The Band Master." That is, it is new so far as the name and a bit of the business is concerned, but in the main it is the same, old Irishman and strong woman stunt that the "Bands" have been doing these many years ago.

As far back as "A Hot Old Time," fifteen years or so ago, Johnny laughed his same queer laugh, contorted his body in the same odd way, and made his audience howl just as he does today.

He is reported as having said that this is his last appearance on the stage, for his form of low comedy is no longer popular with the managers, who want "polite vaudeville." That may be, but the audience seem to cry for it and laugh at it just as much as they ever did.

"THE LITTLE SUNBEAM." Another laugh-getter is "The Little Sunbeam." Mrs. Gardner Crane's sketch with the scene laid in a sleeping car, and Mrs. Crane herself as the headliner in vaudeville. The Cranes have been going over the circuit for years now, but have probably never had an act that gets the crowd better. Even though it is richer in promise of real cleverness than it is in realization, it is funny, especially when the "little sunbeam," who, as one of the characters says, looks more like the whole solar system, begins a frantic scramble into the top berth of the car. Like the "Bands" comedy, it isn't "polite vaudeville," but also like their comedy, it is funny.

The nearest approach to what the managers are supposed to want is found in the bit of singing and talk presented by Knight and Dwyer, man and girl, who plead personal poverty. "We go down to the bottom of the sea, but we don't amount to much, but the way they do it is good. That isn't really excellent of its kind, it is a pity. One way to bring the act to a close is to have two touches a bit vulgar, touches that are a distinct lowering of tone in something which should be as high toned as they know how to make."

AMONG THOSE PRESENT. Distinctly "among those present" and far from an "also ran" were our old acquaintances, Dave Genaro and Ray Bailey. It wasn't so many years ago that they were the champion cake walkers on the stage, when that form of dance had not been crowded out by the Texas

OFFICER TYRRELL'S FUNERAL IS SET

Solemn Requiem High Mass Will Be Feature of Last Rites.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The funeral of Police Corporal Jerome Tyrrell, who died Friday, will be held tomorrow morning from the undertaking parlors at 1518 Geary street. A solemn requiem high mass will be said at St. Philip's church, and the interment will take place at Holy Cross cemetery.

Corporal Tyrrell was one of the bravest members of the police department. He had received suitable recognition for the capture of a maniac six years ago, when the latter defied a large posse of officers, as they knew how to "make."

BURGLAR ARRESTED AT SCENE OF CRIME

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Arrested as he was leaving a room in the Hunter House, 615 Howard street, by Detective John Barrett, night clerk, who pointed him out to Patrolman W. Jurgens, Alfred Matson was booked at the city prison yesterday for burglary. A lodger, G. Grialou, who occupied the room, declared a few moments later that \$17 in cash had been stolen from him, and when Matson was searched some of the money, identified by Grialou, was found on him. He denies the theft.

SITS ON PIN; WANTS \$1000. ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 25.—Wilhelm Keding appraises the suffering for a wound caused by sitting on a pin in the German Baptist church here at \$1000. He has brought suit for that amount against the pastor and three members of the church.

J. W. Copeland of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is that not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? For sale by Osceola Bros. Drug Store.

Tommy and others of its kind. We see a bit of the old-time dance at the end of their act now, and surely as Genaro and Bailey dance it, there are far worse things which might have gone into the discard that are still on the boards. It is not on the cake walk, though, that the couple rest their merits in the present act, for they do other and good turns, showing remarkable lightness of foot on the part of Genaro and a deft grace on the part of his companion.

Carly Wilbur, assisted by Maude Perry, said to be a niece of the great Ellen, and certainly bearing a bit of the family likeness, give a sketch called "61 Prospect Street." It might be better and then again it might be worse as a sketch, although it is not badly done. Rice, Scott and Sully run in the same class, along with Mlle. De Falliers and her family. Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy, as the village fiddler and the country maid, do not, for they are capital. Only their recent visit here prevents their being put way up at the head of the list and way down on the program.

Finally, the motion pictures, depicting an Indian legend, should not pass without mention. In their setting, they are beautiful, making them one of the best things on the entire bill.

First Annual Clearance Sale

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Sale Starts Tomorrow at 9 a. m.

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\$30 Suit or Overcoat—Sale price....	\$21.35	25c Hose.....	15c
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SAN JOAQUIN RIVER REPORT UNFAVORABLE

FRESNO, Dec. 25.—Major S. A. Cheney of the Coast Army Engineers, who recently, with a corps of assistants, inspected the San Joaquin river for the purpose of navigation, has reported unfavorably to the War Department, according to a report that was received in Fresno yesterday by members of the local navigation committee. Cheney in his report cites three reasons why it is not advisable to use the river for navigation:

First—The river could not be used for navigation and irrigation.

Second—Irrigation is more valuable to the valley than navigation.

Third—The period of navigation during the year is not sufficient length to offset the amount that would have to be expended to make the river navigable.

"GOOD FELLOWS" PLAY SANTA. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 25.—Five thousand poor families of the two Kansas cities who went to bed last night with saddened hearts because their pocket-books were not bountiful enough to provide for a merry Christmas awoke today to find huge baskets of food, clothing and toys at their doors. The baskets were distributed by the local "good fellows," the police department and city employees.

LOUIS HILL TO QUIT GREAT NORTHERN LINE

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—Louis Hill, son of James J. Hill, announced last Monday at a luncheon given by himself in St. Paul that he will retire from the presidency of the Great Northern Railway May 1 next.

His chief desire is to avoid routine railroad business and obtain more personal freedom. One of his greater pleasures is hunting and fishing miles away from railroads or telegraph wires in the wilds of Montana or Oregon.

It is considered certain that the Great Northern presidency will be kept in the Hill family. It may go to George Bladen, son-in-law of James J. Hill, now third vice-president of the Northern Pacific, or to James N. Hill, brother of Louis Hill, now first vice-president of the Northern Pacific at New York.

LIVES WITH SPINAL CORD SEVERED. TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 25.—Although his spinal cord is severed and a portion of his backbone removed, Sam Montadeca of St. Cloud is still alive. After a successful operation he regained use of his hands. Montadeca, who is only 19 years old, was accidentally shot several days ago while examining a pistol. The ball passed through his shoulder and lodged in his backbone.

GEO. M. COHAN GIVES NEW PLAY TO SISTER

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 25.—It isn't every sister who can have her brother write her a play to order, and it isn't every brother who can present his sister with a play that is worth thousands of dollars before it is produced. In the office of the Clunie Theater yesterday afternoon Josephine Cohan sister of George M. Cohan, actor, author and manager, was the recipient of a Christmas gift which is sure to prove a real gold mine.

But George did not let his sister know that it would be in her hands on Christmas day, and that when she did receive it there would be attached thereto a notarial document worded: "This play is to be played without royalties to its author, George M. Cohan, as long as it is presented by my sister, Josephine, and her husband, Fred Niblo." George M. Cohan, when he writes a play, usually commands about \$20,000 in advance royalties, so it is not difficult to figure out just what value is attached to the precious manuscript which was delivered to Josephine Cohan yesterday afternoon.

RIVALS COLONEL ROOSEVELT. BOMBAY, Dec. 25.—King George arrived at his camp at Kara last evening. During his hunting in Nepal the king shot 18 tigers, three rhinoceros and several bears. A stag also was bagged.

ROBS BENEVOLENT HOTEL PROPRIETOR

While Latter Is Getting Him Christmas Meal Tramp Steals Overcoat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—"I haven't any money and I haven't had anything to eat all day. Won't you give me a Christmas breakfast?" With these words a tramp approached Philip Doherty, proprietor of the Abbey Hotel, 130 Post street, at an early hour this morning. Doherty was filled with the spirit and benevolence of the season and, telling the man to sit down, he went into the darkened kitchen to see what he could find for him.

When he returned he found that the beggar had stolen his new overcoat which lay on the counter. He reported the matter to the Central station.

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WINS PRESENTS WITH SMILES

Cabinet Officer Among Those Who Remember Affable Policeman on Christmas.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Franklin MacVagh, secretary of the treasury, is sorry that Chicago's smiling policeman is about to quit the department. Patrolman Gibbons has stood for years at the Rush street bridge and boasts that he knows every owner of an automobile in Chicago. He announced a few weeks ago that he would resign from the police department January 1. Gibbons went into the central detail last night and drew a letter from his pocket. It was signed by Mr. MacVagh.

"Do you see this?" said Gibbons. "It is from the secretary of the treasury and I find something enclosed, too!" Gibbons' Christmas presents for years are said to have amounted to more than any other Chicago policeman.

"I have always been obliging," said Gibbons. "I think it pays to smile."

DAY WRITES OPINION AT WIFE'S BEDSIDE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—At the bedside of his wife in Canton, O., Associate Justice Day of the Supreme Court of the United States has written an opinion dispelling much uncertainty about bankruptcy proceedings. Last Monday Chief Justice White announced in court that the opinion would be recorded, and the printed opinion has just been filed in the clerk's office. Among other things decided were these:

That the state court cannot entertain a suit on a debt by a creditor against a debtor when a federal court is passing on a petition to declare the debtor a bankrupt. But a federal court cannot take five years to pass on the petition, allowing some creditor a banking car of the opinion that would amount to denying the petition.

So it was held that the Beekman Lumber Company of Missouri could sue in Missouri state courts the Acme Harvesting Company of Georgia, Ill., despite bankruptcy proceedings in Illinois.

OCCUPANTS OF CARS ESCAPE IN COLLISION

PACIFIC GROVE, Dec. 25.—An automobile collision near Del Monte drive-way last evening resulted in the wrecking of the touring car of H. B. Chase of this city. All occupants of the two cars miraculously escaped with only a few bruises. The other car, driven by Chapman Foster of Salinas, was only slightly damaged.

Mr. Foster and party were heading for the county seat, while the Chases' car was on the home run. Mr. Miles, a nephew of Mrs. Chase, driving, with Mrs. Miles occupying the front seat with her husband in the car were Mr. and Mrs. Trach, also of Pacific Grove.

STORM-DRIVEN BIRDS SEEK REFUGE ON SHIP

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Thirty-eight days from Tsingtau, China, the British bark Calcutta arrived here yesterday establishing a new record for the journey. During the journey tempestuous weather was encountered and swarms of birds sought refuge on the ship.

REWARDS OLD SERVICE

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—John Jager of this city has received a medal from Emperor Francis Joseph, commemorative of the sixtieth year of that ruler's reign. Jager is a citizen of the United States, but was an officer in the Austrian expedition against Peking during the Boxer trouble. In that position he assisted in making plans for buildings and fortifications for the Austrian concessions surrounding the legation house.

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